

# Experience Rural New Hampshire

New Hampshire's rural heritage steeped in history and tradition, forms the foundation of our state's character. Hard working innovative Yankees laid that foundation. Experience the history and meet many of today's rural entrepreneurs.

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## **About Town:**

**Earth Day Recycle Town Wide Yard Sale:** Tuftonboro. April 18, 9am-3pm. This is a town wide event. Maps of the different yard sale locations will be available at the Tuftonboro Town House or library the week before the event. They will also be available the day of the event. 569-1887, perkins9978@roadrunner.com.

**D Acres of New Hampshire:** 218 Streeter Woods Rd., Dorchester. 786-2366, info@dacres.org. Call or visit web site for many other workshops and events all year.

### **Community Events:**

**New Moon Reiki Shares:** Free and open to the public! Join our circle of Reiki practitioners and community members to participate in this relaxing, restorative healing art. No prior experience with or knowledge of Reiki is necessary.

**Yoga Nights:** Wed., 6:30-7:45pm with Sarah Hall. Suggested donation is \$5-\$10, sliding scale.

**Open Mic Nights:** Apr. 24, May 29, June 26, July 31, Aug. 28, Sept. 25, Oct. 30, Nov. 27, Dec. 25. We welcome local musicians, poets and writers to share their talents on the last Fri. of each month, 8-10pm scheduled; 10pm-12am, open jam.

**Writing Workshop with Ivy Page:** Apr. 25, May 30, June 27, July 25, Aug. 29, Sept. 26, Oct. 31, Nov. 28, Dec. 26, 10am-12pm. \$15. Our writing group meets monthly. Regular participants work to discover or improve creative writing talents in a supportive, encouraging environment through the use of writing prompts, skills building and group critique. All levels and styles are welcome.

**Volunteer Days:** Apr. 26, May 31, June 28, July 26, Aug. 30, Sept. 27, Oct. 25, 10am-4pm. Get your hands dirty working in the gardens, on the trails, or building with earthen materials with the D Acres crew. A hearty lunch is included! Please call.

**First Friday Pizza and a Movie:** May 1, June 5, July 3, Aug. 7, Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, Dec. 4, 5:30-7pm, pizza, \$10. All you can eat! Films start at 7pm and are free! Wood fired whole-wheat pizza followed by a film selected to raise social and environmental consciousness.

**Farm Feast Breakfast & Open House/Open Trails:** May 3, June 7, July 5, Aug. 2, Sept. 6, Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6, 10am-1pm. All-You-Should-Eat breakfast featuring pancakes made with local flour, NH maple syrup, local free-range eggs, meat potatoes, greens and fair-trade coffee from Café Monte Alto, Plymouth. Suggested donation is \$10 adults and \$5 kids. Work off your indulgence with a tour of the working, organic farm. Come by at 1pm for the Open House tour.

**Community Potlucks:** May 8, June 7, July 10, Aug. 7, Sept. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 4, 20, 6-9pm. Join your neighbors in a monthly celebration of community and great food. Bring a dish to share.

**Farm Day with the Crunchy Western Boys:** Aug. 15. Join us for our annual farm day harvest celebration, featuring Crunchy Western Boys, a pig roast, local food, raffles and tours of the farm! Suggested donations, \$10 full-grown, \$5 young'ns.

**Traditional Arts Fair:** Sept. 12-13, 9am. Admission is \$12 for weekend or \$10 for Sun. A weekend of workshops and entertainment; including blacksmithing, woodworking, fiber arts, ceramics, music, and more. Pre-registration is encouraged. Please call for more info.

**Cathedral of the Pines Events:** 10 Hale Hill Rd., Rindge. 899-3300, 866-229-4520, [www.cathedralofthepines.org](http://www.cathedralofthepines.org).

**May 3:** 11am. VFW District 5 Loyalty Day Service.

**May 3:** 4pm. The Monadnock Baptist Bible Church "Singspiration".

**May 10:** 10am. Mothers' Day Annual Blessing of the Bikers.

**May 16:** 11am. Armed Forces Day, Memorial Service.

**May 16:** 12pm. WAVES Memorial Service.

**May 24:** 10:30am. Vietnam Vets Association Chapter 907 Run, 6th Annual run & BBQ with a special stop and ceremony at the Altar of the Nation.

**May 30:** 2pm. Memorial Day Ceremony & Service to Honor our veterans.

**June 14:** 2pm. Cathedral of the Pines Annual Wedding Vow Renewal Ceremony-Any couple wishing to renew their wedding vows, please call our office for details.

**July 5:** 11am. Greenfield Congregational Covenant Church-Independence Day Worship Service.

**July 19:** Community Christian Church of New Ipswich, all day worship, songs, inspirational witness talks.

**Sept. 7:** 10am. Labor Day Annual AA Open Meeting.

**Sept. 11:** 8:45am. Annual Day of Reflection & Remembrance.

**Sept. 27:** 4pm. Blessing of the Animals-in honor of St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of animals.

**Roast Pork Supper:** Blazing Star Grange Hall, Danbury. May 16, 5-6:30pm. Home cooked pork and dressing, potato, vegetable, roll and dessert. Served in our historic Grange Hall. Benefit for the building renovations. Take outs available. 768-5579, [pdsprague@nhvt.net](mailto:pdsprague@nhvt.net).

**Old Home Day:** Goffstown. June 6, 10am-4pm. Join Goffstown Main Street for a celebration of our community history, trolley tour, traditional crafts, fishing derby, canoe rides, music, games and more! 497-9933, gmsp@verizon.net, www.goffstownmainstreet.org.

**3rd Annual Cannon Mountain Engine Show:** Cannon Mountain Tramway, Exit 34B, Franconia. June 6-7, 9am-2pm (June 5 set up day). Display and demonstration of small antique gas and steam engines and old farm tractors. Steam provided by a modern boiler. Food available at Cannon Mountain Tramway. Free admission. 878-2845, evenings.

**Spring into Summer Celebration!:** Depot Square Park, Peterborough. June 17, 3-6pm. Join us as we celebrate this joyful season! Stroll through our scenic park as you browse the wares of vendors selling unique, locally grown/made products just for you! There will be music, face painting and demonstrations. Visit various vendors for free samples and educational information to help you enjoy this season to its fullest. 878-6124, Mich.S@comcast.net, www.freewebs.com/peterboroughfarmersmarket.

**Crafts at the Warner House Museum:** 150 Daniel St., Portsmouth. Summer. The Warner House, an historic house museum circa 1716, offers free craft demonstrations in the garden during the season, mid-June through mid-Oct. Please check our web site for up to date information on all our programs. 436-5909, info@warnerhouse.org, www.warnerhouse.org.

**Viewing of Stage Set Designed by Maxfield Parrish:** Plainfield Town Hall, Rt. 12A, Plainfield. July 5, 12, 19, 26, Aug. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 1-5pm. View the stage set designed by artist Maxfield Parrish in 1916. View videos of his life, exhibits, gift shop. Admission \$1. Light show using the original equipment also designed in 1916. 675-6866, plfdlib@mvgalaxy.com.

**Free Children's Story Hour:** Blueberry Bay Farm, 38 Depot Rd., Stratham. Tuesdays, July 7-Aug. 18, 10:30am. Reading of young children's stories, related to growing, farming, nature, animals, ecology, followed by vegetable and herb tour and pick your own produce. 580-1612, info@blueberrybayfarm.com, www.blueberrybayfarm.com.

**Annual Book & Yard Sale:** North Conway Library. July 11-12, 9am-2pm. Gigantic annual book and yard sale at the North Conway Library, rain or shine. Books from every category: adult, children, fiction, nonfiction, antiques, rare books, coffee table books, hardcover and paperbacks. Huge yard sale on the front lawn. 356-2961, ncpl@verizon.net, www.northconwaylibrary.com.

**Dorchester Old Home Days:** on the Common, Dorchester. July 17, 5-9pm; July 18, 8am-9pm; July 19, 8am-3pm. Cookouts throughout the weekend, the Parker Hill Road and the Cardigan Mountain Tradition bluegrass bands perform, plus the Upper Valley Community Band, parade, car show, ham and bean supper, auction, juggler and magic show, pancake breakfast, Dorchester Historical Society Museum open all weekend. 523-7136/7119, pefranz@hotmail.com.

**8th Annual I Love Old Tractors:** Waterest Campground, Rt. 175, Woodstock. Sat., July 18, 9am-5pm. Old tractors, engines, farm implements, trucks, working demonstrations, haying, planing, shingle making, sewing. Tractor parade at 2pm. Live music: bluegrass and country jam after parade. Food vendor on site. Free admission. 745-8037/2586/3188, bradleysl@paigecomputer.com, www.waterestcampground.com/events.html.

**Charlestown's 17th Townwide Yard Sale Day!:** Charlestown. July 18, 8am-3pm. The town of Charlestown celebrates its 17th Annual Townwide Yard Sale Day. Yard sales will line both sides of Main St. and take place throughout all other areas of town. Maps will be available on Main St. for outlying sales locations. Delight in homemade refreshments and lunches. There will be antiques, bargains and fun for everyone. Spend a happy day in a small NH village and discover a treasure! Whatever you are looking for, it's sure to be here this year! 826-4831.

**Freedom Old Home Week:** Freedom. July 31-Aug. 9. Celebrating Our Heritage is the theme of Freedom's 111th Old Home week. Ten days of family activities among which are a parade, land and water sports and a 5K race. Rubber Ducky Day, a fundraiser for Old Home Week is on Sat., June 27. Where over 1,000 rubber ducks, (which people will have taken chances on), will go over the falls in Freedom Village. 539-5799, www.freedomoldhomeweek.com.

**Market Day:** Wentworth Town Common, Aug. 8, 9am-3pm. Old time market day, vendors, music, including the Local Baker Valley Band, lots of food, crafts, our "famous" duck race in the Baker River, with lots of prizes given. Always bigger and better than the year before. Come join us! 764-5859/9352.

**Love Your Lakes Day:** Sunapee Harbor. Aug. 9, 10am-2pm. Ecological and water-related exhibits and demonstrations for both children and adults. Annual antique and classic boat parade. 763-2210, lspa@lakesunapee.org.

**Open Farm Day at Bonnie Brae Farms:** 601 Daniel Webster Hwy., Plymouth. Aug. 15, 10am-4pm. Bonnie Brae Farms is celebrating its 15th anniversary. Join us in the celebration! Visit the farm and see the 300 Red Deer as they roam the hills, woods and pastures. Enjoy samples of venison prepared by a local chef from one of the areas' fine restaurants. Guided walking tours and venison samples are free. 536-2649, admin@bonniebraefarms.com, www.bonniebraefarms.com.

**Tuftonboro Grange's 120th Anniversary:** Tuftonboro Grange Hall, Rt. 109A. Aug. 15. A full day of activities celebrating 120 years. Children's events and adult activities will be scheduled throughout the day. A wrapped auction and musical entertainment round out the day. 569-1887, perkins9978@roadrunner.com.

**Library Festival:** Richards Free Library, Newport. Aug. 22, 9am-3pm. Book sale, children's activities, homemade cookie walk and lunch on the library porch. 863-3430, rfl@newport.lib.nh.us, www.newport.lib.nh.us.

**School Tours:** Currier Orchards, 9 Peaslee Rd., Merrimack. Sept. & Oct., 9am-3pm, Mon.-Fri. School tours via tractor and wagon ride of apple orchard during Sept. and Oct. Pick an apple and learn about farming apples. See how apple cider is made and how apples are graded. Enjoy a glass of cider! Tour takes about one hour and cost is \$1/person. 881-8864, currierselfstore@cs.com.

**Danbury Grange Fair:** Danbury Center. Sept. 12, dawn to dusk. Exhibits, crafts, games, lunch, Dutch auction, pancake breakfast, parade at 11am, tractor pulling, horseshoe tournament, supper from 4:30-6:30pm. Music at 7pm by Cardigan Mountain Tradition. Free admission. 768-5579, pdsprague@nhvt.net.

**Jackson Hill Cider Day:** Jackson House, 74 Northwest St., Portsmouth. Sept. 12, 12-4pm. You are invited to wander the apple orchards of the c. 1664 museum, learn to press apples for cider, spin wool into yarn, bob for apples, enjoy crafts and live music. Meet Socrates, a friendly American Bronze Turkey. Slices of pie and other light refreshments will be for sale on the grounds. 436-3205, efarish@historicnewengland.org, www.historicnewengland.org.

**Lee Country Fair:** Corner of Rt. 155 & Lee Hook Rd. Sept. 12, 8:30am-9pm. Enjoy an artisans/farmers market, children's parade, fun run, pedal tractor pull, 4H displays, boy scout demonstrations, horse shoe tournament, apple peeling, pie eating contests, food, including pit beef barbecue or chicken barbecue, many games for kids, including karaoke and raffle to end the day. A great old fashioned country fair. 659-3919, barbgng@comcast.net.

**38th Annual Dublin Engine Show:** Rt. 101, Dublin. Sept. 12, 8am-5pm; Sept. 13, 8am-1pm. Display and demonstration of antique gas and steam farm engines, early chain saws and old farm tractors. Steam provided by modern boiler. Vendors onsite for new and used parts and supplies. Food provided by Dublin Fire Company, also chicken barbecue on Sat. 5-7pm. Spectator fee \$3 each. 878-2845, evenings.

**Antrim Historical Society Apple Crisp Social, Home & Harvest Festival:** Main St. Sept. 19, 10:30am-2:30pm, parade at 11:30am. Annual apple crisp social at the Antrim Historical Society Booth, Antrim Home & Harvest Festival. Delicious, warm, homemade apple crisp and ice cream that sells out every year. Parade with floats and bands at 11:30am. International skateboard races Sat. and Sun. 588-6766, tnichols@mcttelecom.com, www.antrimnh.org/Pages/AntrimNH\_About/HistoricalSociety.

**Antique Tractor Show:** 84 Colby St., Colebrook. Sept. 19, 10am-3pm. Tractors, old engines and antique farmstead items of interest will be shown. This is not a competition. Equipment having a day off from the field is welcome. Food booth, music and demonstrations. Parade at 1pm. This is a family event with free admission. 237-4430, colebrook-feeds@verizon.net.

**Annual Book Sale:** Plainfield Town Hall, Rt. 12A. Sept. 19-20, 9am-5pm. Approximately 7,000 books, 95 percent donated, low prices. No admission fee. Also view stage set designed in 1916 by artist Maxfield Parrish. 675-6866, plfdlib@mvgalazy.com, http://homepage.fcgnetworks.net/plfdlib.

**Antrim's Home & Harvest Festival:** Antrim. Sept. 19-20. There is something for everyone! Enjoy a wonderful parade, crafters, skateboarding (world known), corn cob eating contest, fun and games for all kids, pie social, chicken bbq, bands, fireworks and much more! 588-2020/3388, tenneyfarm@info.com, www.antrimnh.org, www.acc.com.

**7th Annual Schnitzelfest:** Downtown Hillsborough. Sat., Sept. 26, 11am-5pm. Enjoy the most authentic German food outside Germany: Schnitzel, Bratwurst, wieners, homemade German potato salad, sauerkraut, breads, desserts, beer and wine. Live Um-Pah music, crafters and souvenirs. Free admission. Under the tents, rain or shine. 464-5858, hcofc@conknet.com, www.hillsboroughnhchamber.com.

**8th Annual McAlister Farm Show:** Second NH Tnpk., off Rt. 202, Deering. Oct. 3, 9am-5pm, (set up on Fri.) Display and demonstration of antique gas and steam farm engines, old chain saws, old farm tractors, and antique autos and trucks. Food available on the grounds. Spectator fee \$3 each. 878-2845, evenings.

**Marlow Harvest Festival:** Marlow Village, Rt. 123. Oct. 4, 9am-3pm. Harvest festival and apple pie sale, art exhibit, entertainment, crafts, flea market, chicken barbecue, food concessions and historical exhibit. 446-7044.

**Maxfield Parrish Vintage Print & Collectible Sale:** Plainfield Town Hall, Rt. 12A. Oct. 10-11, 10am-5pm. Sale and exhibit of vintage and modern reproductions of art by American artist Maxfield Parrish. Related Parrish items also on sale: books, ephemera, etc. View the stage set and lighting designed by Parrish in 1916. 675-6866, plfdlib@mvgalaxy.com.

**Giant Pumpkin Weigh-off and Regatta:** Goffstown. Oct. 17-18. Goffstown Main Street hosts NH Giant Pumpkin

Growers Association's state weigh-off followed by annual regatta. Pumpkin catapulting, cook-off, art exhibit, pumpkin drop, talent competition, games, food and more! Call for details, 497-9933, [gmsp@verizon.net](mailto:gmsp@verizon.net), [www.goffstownmainstreet.org](http://www.goffstownmainstreet.org).

**Annual Holiday Bazaar:** Fellowship Hall, Rt. 63, Westmoreland, village common. Nov. 21, 9am-2pm. Offering home-made crafts, ornaments, baked goods, greenery, decorations, plants and luncheon from 11am-1pm. 399-4880, [www.westmorelandunitedchurch.org](http://www.westmorelandunitedchurch.org).

**Friday Night Under the Lights:** Goffstown. Dec. 4, 5-8pm. Goffstown Main Street celebrates the holidays with traditional tree-lighting, visits with Santa, hayride, open houses, caroling. 497-9933, [gmsp@verizon.net](mailto:gmsp@verizon.net), [www.goffstownmainstreet.org](http://www.goffstownmainstreet.org).

**Winter Carnival and Ice Harvesting:** Remick Country Doctor Museum & Farm, Tamworth. Feb. 13, 2010, 10am-12pm. Help cut ice on Remick Pond. Watch steers haul ice to the ice house. Take a horse drawn sleigh ride. There are dog sled rides for children. Try your hand in our snowball throwing contest or snowshoe obstacle course. See exhibits on ice harvesting and on local dog sled history. Winter fun for all! 323-7591, 800-686-6117, [info@remickmuseum.org](mailto:info@remickmuseum.org), [www.remickmuseum.org](http://www.remickmuseum.org).

## **Agricultural Fairs:**

**North Haverhill Fair:** North Haverhill. July 22-26, 9am-10pm. A fun, family fair with something for everyone. Rides, pulling events, livestock exhibits, live entertainment-North Haverhill Fair has it all. Five full days of fun and excitement. 989-3305, [www.NoHaverhillFair.com](http://www.NoHaverhillFair.com).

**Stratham Fair:** Stratham. July 23-26. 772-2990.

**Cheshire Fair:** Swanzey. July 29-Aug. 2, 8am-10pm, daily. Agricultural fair, midway, vendors, children's farm fun, entertainment, horses, cattle, fun from A to Z. 357-4740, [cheshirefair@cheshire.net](mailto:cheshirefair@cheshire.net), [www.cheshirefair.com](http://www.cheshirefair.com).

**Belknap County 4-H Fair:** 174 Mile Hill Rd., Belmont. Aug. 8-9. Come experience the, "Biggest Little Agricultural Fair in NH," featuring numerous animal shows, oxen and tractor pulls, demonstrations, 4-H exhibits, assorted entertainment for young and old, and plenty of good food. 286-3213, [1santa@myfairpoint.com](mailto:1santa@myfairpoint.com), [www.BC4HFair.org](http://www.BC4HFair.org).

**Cornish Fair:** Cornish Fairgrounds, Townhouse Rd. Aug. 21-23, Fri. & Sat., 8am-11pm; Sun., 8am-7pm. The Cornish Fair is a country fair, with ox, pony and horse pulls, antique tractor pulls, garden tractor pulls, cattle, sheep, goat shows and a woodsmen show. There are arts and crafts, flowers, vegetable shows. Midway with rides and fair food. Free parking, admission \$8, 12 and under free. 675-5426, [leabug@netzero.com](mailto:leabug@netzero.com), [www.cornishnhfair.com](http://www.cornishnhfair.com).

**Lancaster Fair:** Lancaster. Sept. 2-7. Come on up to the "Great North Woods" and enjoy a real old time fair from the free parking to the wide clean midway, rides, animals, pulling events, horses, draft horse show, everything a county fair should be. Go to our web site for a list of events. 788-4531, [cantona@ne.rr.com](mailto:cantona@ne.rr.com), [www.lancasterfair.com](http://www.lancasterfair.com).

**Hopkinton State Fair:** Hopkinton. Sept. 3-7. The Hopkinton State Fair is a family based, agriculture experience, with 95 years of education and fun for all ages. We have animal displays, competitions, giant pumpkins, home arts and grange displays, midway, petting farm, pony rides, horse/cattle pulling, grandstand and musical events. Spend Labor Day weekend with us! 746-4191, [hsfinfo@tds.net](mailto:hsfinfo@tds.net), [www.hsfair.org](http://www.hsfair.org).

**Hillsborough County Agricultural Fair:** New Boston. Sept. 11-13, 12-9pm, Fri.; 9am-9pm, Sat.; 9am-5pm, Sun. We pride ourselves on being a small town fair with all the sights, smells and sounds of a county fair experience. Midway, truck pulls, horse and oxen pulls, stage shows, 4-H, grange and handcrafts, animals, vegetables, giant pumpkins and fireworks. Fun for the whole family! Yes-we have fried dough! 641-6060 (Monday-Friday), [hcafinfo@hotmail.com](mailto:hcafinfo@hotmail.com), [www.nhfairs.com](http://www.nhfairs.com).

**The Rochester Fair:** Rochester. Sept. 18-27. Don't miss the 134th annual Rochester Fair! Livestock shows, motor sports, Demolition Derby, huge hall of exhibits and of course midway rides and the famous fair foods! 332-6585, [www.rochesterfair.com](http://www.rochesterfair.com).

**Deerfield Fair:** Deerfield. Oct. 1-4. The Deerfield Fair is an agricultural family fair. We feature exhibits, animal shows and events, varied entertainment, food, amusement rides and vendors selling a variety of goods. We have acres of free parking, so come visit us for a day or for all four days. 463-7421, [deerfieldfair@deerfieldfair.com](mailto:deerfieldfair@deerfieldfair.com), [www.deerfieldfair.com](http://www.deerfieldfair.com).

**The Sandwich Fair:** Center Sandwich. Oct. 10-12, 8am-dusk. The last fair of the season and one of the oldest three day agricultural fairs in NH. This fair is always held on Columbus Day weekend and is a wonderful family-friendly fair. This exciting country fair has something for everyone, young or old. Right at the peak of the foliage season it is a great way to spend a day or three! 284-7062, [sfa@ttlc.net](mailto:sfa@ttlc.net), [www.thesandwichfair.com](http://www.thesandwichfair.com).

## **Arts & Crafts:**

**Valley Artisans Open Houses 2009:** 10 Goboro Rd., Epsom. May 16-17, Oct. 10-11, Dec. 5-6, 10am-6pm. Our two day open houses are highlighted with home baked confections, cold or hot mulled cider. Each month we have an "Artisan of the Month," who donates one of their fabulous creations for a free raffle. We have over 40 juried members and consignors. Come and shop! 736-8200, mail@valleyartisansnh.com, www.valleyartisansnh.com.

**Spring Into Summer Faire:** Hillsborough Center. June 13-14, 10am-4pm. Artisan Faire featuring the Hillsborough Area Artisans and guest artisans. Baskets, jewelry, fabric art, paintings, pottery, photography, blown glass, blacksmithing and more. Takes place in historic Hillsborough Center. 495-1032, hlsbo\_rt@gsi.net, www.hillsboroughartisans.com.

**Artists in the Park:** Downtown Wolfeboro on the Waterfront. Aug. 12, 10am-5pm. A lovely setting, three mini-children's matinees, demonstrations, fine art, photography, and original crafts. 569-4994, muddywheel@metrocast.net.

**Hillsborough Area Artisans Open Studio Tour:** Sept. 19-20, 10am-5pm. The artisans open their studios and many will be demonstrating their craft. Experience some of NH's beautiful countryside and learn the creative process of some of it's most talented artisans. 495-1032, hlsbo\_rt@gsi.net, www.hillsboroughartisans.com.

**Glassblowing Open House and Seconds Sale:** North Country Glass, 93 Bailey Rd., Washington. Sept. 19-20, Oct. 10-13, 17-18, 10am-5pm. Glassblowing demonstrations all day. Gallery with first quality as well as seconds for sale. Pieces priced from \$5/up. Vases, bowls, stemware, ornaments, jewelry and more. 495-1032, northcountry-glass@hotmail.com, www.northcountryglass.com.

## **Farms of Distinction:**

In 1997, the NH Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food introduced a program recognizing those farms that make an extra effort to keep their busy farm stands neat and attractive. The New Hampshire Farms of Distinction program honors have been awarded to over 110 farms to date. Each farm displays an attractive Farms of Distinction sign. For more information about the NH Farms of Distinction program contact the NH Department of Agriculture, Markets & Food at 271-3788.

To view a list of all of the NH Farms of Distinction visit: [www.agriculture.nh.gov](http://www.agriculture.nh.gov) or call 271-3788 for a list.

## **Gardens:**

**UNH Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners:** 200 Bedford St., Manchester. All year, Monday-Friday, 9am-2pm; Wednesday evenings, 5-7:30pm. The family, home and garden education center provides practical solutions to everyday questions for the citizens of NH. It is staffed by professionals and intensively trained volunteers who are available to answer your questions about gardens, lawns and landscapes, fruits and vegetables, pest problems, household food safety and food preservation, tree planting and care, backyard livestock and more. We offer written information, programs or referrals on family finances, nutrition, parenting and child development, and 4-H youth development. 1-877-398-4769, answers@unh.edu.

**Shin-Boku Nursery Open House:** 180 Beech Hill Rd., Wentworth. April 11, 9am-4pm. Most unique tree nursery in the Northeast. Heavily pruned conifers in the Japanese style. 400 year old craft. Come and enjoy a bit of Japan in Center, NH. Refreshments served. 764-9993, pkoelb@earthlink.net, www.shin-bokunursery.com.

**Amazing Flower Farm Events:** 202 Poor Farm Rd., New Ipswich. 878-9876, lynn.ara@gmail.com, www.amazingflowerfarm.com.

**Edible Flowers:** April 22, 4:30pm. Come learn what flowers you can grow and EAT! Sample violet sandwiches, plant a calendula pot. Young gardeners most welcome during this school vacation. Admission is \$3, includes plant to bring home.

**Planting Presents:** June 27, 2pm. Make your own planter for your favorite teacher. Choose your plant from our special Teacher Appreciation Selection, learn how to pot it up and make a label to teach your teacher how to take care of it. Young people most welcome. Admission of \$3 includes plant, soil, 4 inch pot, label (or bring your own container) and instructions.

**Creative Ways to Enjoy Your Herbal Harvest:** July 18, 2pm. Join us at this fun workshop as Michelle Somero from Serendipity Gardens shows us a multitude of ways to use herbs, which are just getting ready to harvest! Learn how to preserve herbs as butters, sugars, vinegars, dried blends and more. Finish up with some tasty samples. Admission \$3.

**Getting the Most Out of Your Garden:** Putting Up Food: Jan. 23, 2010, 1:30pm. Forum for gardeners on harvesting and preserving food. Includes topics like how to deal with overabundance of tomatoes, recipes for yellow cucumbers, dilly beans, salsas, pestos, freezing fruits, storing onions, etc. Panelists include local gardeners with years of experience. Admission \$3. Handouts included.

**Getting the Most Out of Your Garden:** Labor Saving Techniques: Jan. 30, 2010, 1:30pm. Explore methods of

cutting down on labor and increasing yields in environmentally friendly ways. Includes pros and cons of different mulches, companion planting, row covering, fertilizing, pest control. How to get results on a budget. Handouts including lists of resources. Admission \$3. Hosts include lifelong organic gardeners.

**Getting the Most Out of Your Garden:** Keep Vermin Out: Feb. 6, 2010, 1:30pm. How to deal with the animals invading your garden. How to identify the damage caused by deer, woodchucks, chipmunks, mice and voles, birds; repellent and control techniques that work and that do not. Includes handouts. Admission \$3.

**Pansy Party:** Mar. 20, 2010, 1:30pm. Celebrate the first day of spring with our Pansy Party. Leave weary winter outside and join us in the greenhouse potting up pansy containers. Bring your container home or leave it at the greenhouse to grow on. Admission \$7, includes 6 inch container, plants, soil, fertilizer and how to and care tips.

**Nursery & Greenhouse Open:** 730 Borough Rd., Pembroke. Weekends in May, Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 1-6pm. Certified organic vegetable seedlings and NH native plants for sale. 228-1421, ayn@foundwellfarm.com, www.foundwellfarm.com.

**Beans & Greens Farmstand:** 245 Intervale Rd., Gilford. May 1-Oct. 30, 9am-6pm. Wander around the cut your own flower and herb gardens, through greenhouses and perennial plantings. Enjoy the water garden and koi pond. 293-2853, beansandgreensfarm@msn.com, www.beansandgreensfarm.com.

**Spider Web Gardens:** 252 Middle Rd., Rt. 109A, Ctr. Tuftonboro. 569-5056, swg@worldpath.net, www.spiderwebgardens.com.

**Container Gardening:** May 2, 10am. Learn about soils, containers and the proper plant material to make beautiful long lasting containers for the patio and porch. Free of charge.

**Mothers Day Open House:** May 9-10, all day. Open house, refreshments available, free carnation for mom, specials all weekend.

**Taste of the Garden:** Aug. 22, 12-2pm. Taste and enjoy various dishes all prepared with Spider Web's vegetables. Bring your favorite dishes and recipes to exchange with others. Don't forget your appetite. Free of charge.

**Davis Brook Farm:** 106 Bonds Corner Rd., Hancock. 525-4728, daylilies@davisbrookfarm.com, www.davisbrookfarm.com. Artists & Photographers: ongoing throughout the season. You are welcome to come paint, draw or photograph during farm business hours. 2009 Farm Hours: May 5-June 27, Tues.-Sat.; June 30-Aug. 29, Tues.-Sun.

#### **Garden Workshop Series:**

**Designing the Perfect Shade Garden:** May 16, 10am. Plant selection and site considerations for the novice gardener.

**Create a Daylily Floral Arrangement:** July 11, 10am. \$10, materials fee, registration required.

**Hybridizing Daylilies-Learn the Basics:** Aug. 8, 10am. Techniques and tips for propagating your own daylily flowers.

**14th Annual Daylily Extravaganza:** July 25-26, 9am-3pm. The Daylily Extravaganza features a spectacular display of color and fragrances from more than 500 daylily varieties including our very own "Monadnock Series". Visitors wander among our gardens, photograph flowering plants, participate in educational demonstrations, take a chance at a door prize, or simply enjoy a cup of lemonade and cookies. Come see what all the buzz is about!

**4th Annual Daylily Bare Root Sale:** Aug. 21-22, 9am-3pm. Get a jump on your fall planting. Special pricing on many varieties of fresh dug daylilies.

**16th Annual Fields of Lupine Festival & Open-Air Market:** Sugar hill & surrounding towns. June 5-21, daily events; open-air market-weekends only, 10am-4pm. This three week festival celebrates our spring lupine flowers. Open-air market on weekends is for area crafters, farmers, and more to sell their wares and demonstrate their skills. Wool-spinning, wood-carving, maple syrup history, more. Other activities during the festival include inn tours, concerts, art show, quilt show, unique demonstrations and lectures. 823-8000, cheese@harmanscheese.com, www.harmanscheese.com/lupine.html.

**Wild Plant Identification Walks with Wendy Snow Fogg:** Misty Meadows Herbal Center, Lee. June 7, 12:30-2pm; July 18, 10:30am-12pm; Aug. 16, 12:30-2pm. A leisurely walk through field and forest. Wendy Fogg, Senior Herbalist will introduce you to the wild foods and medicines of nature. Cameras welcome. Natural insect repellent provided. No pets, please. 659-7211, mistyoffice@comcast.net, www.mistymeadows.org.

**Art and Garden Tour:** Enfield Shaker Museum, 447 NH Rt. 4A. July 11, 1-5pm. Tour private and public gardens you might never see. Watch artists demonstrating their skills. A \$15 admission covers the self-guided tour. Proceeds benefit the Enfield Shaker Museum. 632-4346, enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com, www.shakermuseum.org.

**18th Annual Open House:** Uncanoonuc Mt. Perennials, 452 Mountain Rd., Goffstown. July 25-26, 9am-5pm. Extensive daylily collection in peak bloom, 2-1/2 acres of display gardens and stock beds. Check the progress of our new rose garden and our new woodland garden. Over 900 varieties of perennials, roses, vines, choice shrubs, grasses and berry

bushes available. Free lemonade to sip and cookies to munch. Drawings each day for prizes. 497-3975, questions@uncanoonucmt.com, www.uncanoonucmt.com.

**Pleasant View Gardens-Proven Winners Display Garden:** 7316 Pleasant St., Loudon. Aug. 8-Oct. 18, 8am-dusk. Stroll our display gardens and discover over 100 new Proven Winners and Proven Selections varieties planted in baskets, containers and in the ground. Over 400 additional varieties are orchestrated in dramatic lush displays. We have grown hundreds of baskets, combination pots and window boxes for ideas and inspiration, so don't forget your camera. 435-8361, jims@pwpvg.com, www.provenwinners.com.

## **Hay & Sleigh Rides:**

**Tractor Drawn Hay Ride:** Huntoon Farm, Danbury. Summer-Fall, call for reservation. Tractor drawn hay ride through the woods and fields of our five generation family farm. 768-5579, PDSprague@nhvt.net.

**Pumpkin Patch Hayrides:** Emery Farm, 135 Piscataqua Rd., Durham. Mid-Sept.-end of Oct., 12-4pm, Sat. & Sun. Hayrides through the woods to a pumpkin patch where you can choose a pumpkin. Woods are decorated with many fun and spooky characters along the way. 742-8495.

**Haunted Hay Rides:** Thyme & Ewe Farm, 688 Chestnut St., Claremont. Oct. 16-18, 23-25, 29-31, 7pm, 7:30pm, 8pm, 8:30pm. Our famous haunted hay rides through the woods. This year's theme, "The Haunted Circus." Plenty of ghoulies and ghosties in the offering. Admission \$5 per person. Reservations strongly suggested. 542-1746, poisson-sheep1@aol.com, www.thymeandewefarm.com.

## **Livestock:**

**Beans & Greens Farmstand:** 245 Intervale Rd., Gilford. Visit any day of the season! Farm animals to visit include pigs, goats, calves, chickens and ducks. Great for families and school groups. Free admission. 293-2853, beansandgreensfarm@msn.com, www.beansandgreensfarm.com.

**Mirage Alpacas Free Saturday Farm Tours:** 232 Lempster Mountain Rd., Washington. Every Sat., 10am-4pm, weather permitting. Pack your picnic lunch and dine with Mirage's Alpacas mini donkeys, horses, angora goats, sheep and poultry! Visit the spinning and weaving room and/or gift shop featuring natural fibers from our livestock, free farm tours, or treat yourself to a self-guided tour along numerous paths. School tours available. Wool Arts Tour participant, Columbus Day weekend (Oct. 10-12). 495-3435, miragealpacas@gsinet.net, www.miragealpacas.com.

**Cicely Farm Llama Adventures:** Concord. April-Nov., by appointment. Learn about llamas and alpacas through hands-on experience. Visit them in our barn or hike with them on our wooded trails. Barn visits, 1 hour, \$10/adult, \$5/child 5-16. Hikes, 3 hours, \$35/adult, \$15/child. Younger children free when accompanied by an adult. 783-9982, cicely.farmer@comcast.net, www.NHMade.com search for "Llama".

**Schroeder Farm:** 126 Sutton Rd., S. Newbury. May-Sept., by chance or call during day. We have a working farm, complete with cows, piglets, sheep, chickens, lambs and turkeys! Children are welcome, and can go in with some of the animals. We also have a farm stand, featuring our own products, syrup, jams, relishes, etc. 938-5911.

**Farm Tours:** Wonder Fall Farm, 144 Gingerbread Rd., Easton. Ongoing, May-Oct., 11am-6pm, or by appointment; Nov.-April, 11am-4pm; closed Mon. & Tues. Learn about Myotonic fainting goats, llamas, chickens, guinea hens, farm store. 823-8003, marlamoo@hughes.net, www.wonderfallfarm.com.

**Gelinas Farm:** 471 Fourth Range Rd., Pembroke. 225-8690, dgill@onconcord.com, www.onconcord.com/recreation. Horsemanship Camp: April 20-24, July-Aug., 8:30am-4:30pm. Learn all aspects of horsemanship, grooming, tack, riding, barn management and teamwork.

**Open House & Used Tack Sale:** May 3, 9am-1pm. Animal open house and used tack sale, no set up fee, food available, free demonstrations.

**Versatility Ranch Horse Clinic:** June 16-19, 4pm. Learn all aspects, trail, cow work, reining, \$600 limited participation, auditors welcome \$30.

**Colt Starting and Horsemanship:** June 20-22, 9am. Start your colt or help a troubled older horse, morning session. Afternoon session, horsemanship class, work on developing a soft, willing horse.

**Cow Working Clinic:** June 23, 9am. Introduce your horse to cattle. Learn how to read and sort cattle. \$200, auditors welcome \$30.

**ARHA Ranch Horse Show:** Sept. 12, 8am. A fun filled family day of ranch horse activities, cutting, roping and more! Contact 225-7024, Joanne@gelinasfarm.com, www.gelinasfarm.com.

**AQHA Ranch Horse Show:** Sept. 13, 8am. Another fun filled family day of ranch horse competition, cutting, roping and more! Contact 225-7024, Joanne@gelinasfarm.com, www.gelinasfarm.com.

**Cowboy Race:** July 5, 8am. A fun family day, timed event through obstacles on horseback. Lunch available. 225-7024, shqhorse@capital.net, www.EMRHA.com.



**Hunter Place:** Branch Hill Farm, Carl Siemon Family Charitable Trust, Milton Mills sponsored by Piscataqua Hounds. May 17 & Aug. 1, 9-11am start. Piscataqua Hounds is a drag foxhunt. We have two new territories this year. Hound work takes place all year. A team lays a scent one hour before. Car followers join and partake of the tailgate tea afterwards. It's a great way to enjoy NH's beautiful wild lands and fields with hounds and horses featured. Various locations, call for specifics. 749-0452, [piscataquahounds@comcast.net](mailto:piscataquahounds@comcast.net), <http://piscataquahounds.org>.

**New Hampshire Dairy Goat Association Spring Show:** Hillsboro County 4-H Fairgrounds, Rt. 13, New Boston. June 6, 9am-5pm. Competition of seven breeds of dairy goats and recorded grades. Senior does (milkers), are shown first, followed by the junior doe competition. Shows are sanctioned by the American Dairy Goat Association. Everyone is welcome, no gate fee, no dogs. 673-8426, [DanielFox14@comcast.net](mailto:DanielFox14@comcast.net).

**Farm & Animals:** Dimond Hill Farm, 314 Hopkinton Rd., Concord. June 15-Oct. 31, 10am-5pm, daily. Come see our healthy animals: llamas, pigs, horses, chickens and sheep. While visiting, shop our farm stand located in the 1800s barn, gorgeous view of Concord. Here you can purchase our own grown vegetables and New England's premiere products. 224-0602, [Jane.Presby@dimondhillfarm.com](mailto:Jane.Presby@dimondhillfarm.com), [www.dimondhillfarm.com](http://www.dimondhillfarm.com).

**Grass Farming at Sunnyfield Farm:** 197 Greenfield Rd., Peterborough. July 26, 10am-3pm. Farm tours, sheep herding demonstrations, talk on "Raising Grass-Fed" Meat, sample grass-fed meat. 924-4436, [rdsunnyfield@yahoo.com](mailto:rdsunnyfield@yahoo.com), [www.sunnyfieldfarm.org](http://www.sunnyfieldfarm.org).

**NHAHA Summer Jubilee Horse Show:** Deerfield Fairgrounds. Aug. 6-8, Thurs. 10am-9am; Fri. & Sat. 9am. Open house offering classes for: Arabians, saddlebreds, Morgans, Friesians, Appaloosas, Pintos, Academy riders, open classes and dressage. Affiliated with NH Horse & Trail Association and New England Horsemen's Council. 627-8645, [lcombs1@comcast.net](mailto:lcombs1@comcast.net).

**Brookfield Open Farm Day:** Rt. 109, Brookfield. Come join us at the 3rd annual open farm day in Brookfield. Maps to the farms will be available at the Brookfield Town House. You will see goats, llamas, riding stables, veggies, maple syrup, raised bed gardening, greenhouses and more! Come celebrate the rich history of agriculture in Brookfield. 522-0031, [frank@mooseview.com](mailto:frank@mooseview.com), <http://brookfieldag.wordpress.com>.

**Wool Arts Tour:** Monadnock Region of NH. Oct. 11-12, 9am-5pm. A guided tour of sheep farms in the Monadnock Region, with demonstrations of fiber related activities at each farm. Many hand woven, hand spun and hank knit items for sale, as well as, fiber animals, sheep, goats and alpacas to watch and learn about. 588-6637.

## **Maple:**

**Maple Sugaring:** Tamarack Farm, 125 Asby Rd., Canterbury. Late Feb.-early April, 10am-4pm, weekends, other times when boiling. Watch maple syrup boiling, Sugar bush walks, horse drawn rides, sugar on snow, free samples. 783-9226, [saltcreek@aol.com](mailto:saltcreek@aol.com).

**Maple Sugaring:** Remick Country Doctor Museum & Farm, Tamworth. Mar. 27, 11am-3pm. Come visit the Remick Museum Sugar House and see an evaporator turn sap into maple syrup. Sample grades of maple syrup and other maple treats, including sugar-on-snow. Take a horse drawn wagon or sleigh ride. View demonstrations of Native American, Colonial, and backyard boiler "sugaring off" methods. Join in the craft making activities for children. See exhibits on the maple sugaring process. 323-7951, 1-800-686-6117, [info@remickmuseum.org](mailto:info@remickmuseum.org), [www.remickmuseum.org](http://www.remickmuseum.org).

**Maple Weekend:** Stuart & John's Sugar House, 42 Rt. 63, Westmoreland. Mar. 28-29, 7am-3pm, Sat. & Sun. Maple sugaring tours, free maple samples, free popcorn, full breakfast restaurant. 399-4486/7778, [sradams@charlesworks.net](mailto:sradams@charlesworks.net), [www.stuartandjohnssugarhouse.com](http://www.stuartandjohnssugarhouse.com).

## **Maze Fun:**

**Beech Hill Farm Corn Mazes:** 107 Beech Hill Rd., Hopkinton. Aug. 1-Oct. 31, 11am-dusk. Three fabulous fun and entertaining mazes for the entire family. Three new themes each year. A great way to spend a day at our family farm. Check out web site for admission and themes. 223-0828, [RMKimball@emailmv.com](mailto:RMKimball@emailmv.com), [www.beechhillfarm.com](http://www.beechhillfarm.com).

**Beans & Greens Corn Maze 2009:** 245 Intervale Rd., Gilford. End of Aug., 10am-5pm; Fri. & Sat. nights, 8-10pm. The largest corn maze in central New Hampshire! Ask about Team Building in the maze! Challenges for all ages during the daylight hours. Enjoy night time adventures! Our Haymaze is open rain or shine, Sept.-Oct. for youngsters. 293-2853, [beansandgreensfarm@msn.com](mailto:beansandgreensfarm@msn.com), [www.beansandgreensfarm.com](http://www.beansandgreensfarm.com).

## **Museums & Historic Sites; Farm & Special Events:**

**New London Historical Society Events:** Little Lake Sunapee Rd., New London. 526-6564, [jtonner@msn.com](mailto:jtonner@msn.com), [www.NewLondonhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.NewLondonhistoricalsociety.org).

**Old Time Rules Will Prevail:** The Fiddle contest in New Hampshire and New England. April 15, 7pm.

**The Mill System and Industrialization:** From Scytheville to Manchester, NH and England. May 6, 7pm.

**Our Rural Landscape Then & Now:** Mt. Kearsarge/Lake Sunapee Region. Sept. 16, 7pm.

**Burying Ground Tour:** New London. Sept. 26, 10:30am-1:30pm.

**Sheridan House Museum Special Events & Exhibits on Sundays:** Ashuelot. May-Oct., Sun. 2-4pm, Wed. 9am-12pm. The Sheridan House Museum is located across the covered bridge in Ashuelot. It is a 12 room Victorian "cottage" built by Charles Norton in 1810. The restored rooms include a parquet floored sitting room, kitchen with original tin ceiling, a reference room, exhibit rooms and the Persis Albee Room, dedicated to the world's first "Avon Lady". Winchester memorabilia is displayed throughout and special programs, such as band concerts and cider pressing, are offered on various Sundays. 239-4282, carollpoole@yahoo.com.

**Sandown Historical Society & Museum:** 1 Depot Rd., Sandown. May-Oct., 1-5pm, Sat. & Sun. Sandown Historical Society and Museum is both a railroad and local museum, housed in a restored railroad depot that is on the National Historical Registry. 887-6688, ahighbid@comcast.net, www.sandownnh.gov.

**Mt. Kearsarge Indian Museum:** Kearsarge Mountain Rd., Warner. 456-2600, Mikim@conknet.com, www.indianmuseum.org. Medicine Woods nature walk and the Museum Store open.

**Medicine Woods Nature Trail:** Open year round, dawn-dusk. Two-and half acres of nature trails created onsite of former garbage dump. Medicine Woods honors the connection of Native Americans with nature with its focus on indigenous plants used for food, medicine, tools, dyes, clothing and more. Free admission.

**Celebrate the Earth:** May 3, 10am-4pm. The festival features "green" displays and interactive demonstrations. Family-oriented activities including planting of organic Children's Garden. Celebrate spring and learn about a living, growing Museum, representing living cultures.

**Turtle Island Summer Day Camp:** June 29-Aug. 7, 8:30am-4pm. Children, ages 6-14, are invited to experience Native American cultures through hands-on activities, traditional games, and explorations. Each thematic session focuses on different aspects of historical and contemporary American Indian life. Includes presentations by Native American tradition-bearers and other experts. The camp is licensed through the State of NH. Six one-week sessions.

**10th Anniversary Intertribal Powwow:** July 11, 10am-8pm; July 12, 10am-4pm. Family-oriented outdoor event focusing on the excitement and vibrancy of American Indian culture will include drumming, dancing, performances, kid's crafts, and demonstrations by Native American Indians from New England and beyond. Food and craft vendors.

**19th Annual Harvest Moon Festival:** Sept. 17, 10am-4pm. Native American foods, music, games, craft demonstrations, storytelling, children's crafts. Induction ceremony for MKIM Native American of the Year into Circle of Fame. Tour of museum galleries included in admission.

**Annual Winter Celebration:** Nov. 28-29, 10am-5pm. This two-day event is a unique opportunity for the public to welcome in the new season and the holidays. The winter celebration will feature musical performers, craft demonstrations, demonstration of Native American survival skills, and activities for the entire family. The store also holds an end-of-the season clearance sale.

**Danbury North Road Schoolhouse Museum Tours:** 440 North Rd., Danbury. May 3, June 7, Aug. 2, Sept. 12, 1-3pm. Come visit this 1853 red one-room schoolhouse museum filled with historical displays and photos. Special events and fun for all. Free admission. 768-3603, bonfletcher@yahoo.com.

**NH Farm Museum Events:** 1305 White Mountain Hwy, Milton. Contact 652-7840, www.farmmuseum.org for more info.

**Exhibit Opening:** Women on the Farm: May 9. We have been working all winter to create a new exhibit about the role of women in life on the farm. Come join us for the Mother's Day opening of this exhibit.

**Spring Farm Day:** May 23. The Farm Museum opens for the season with the kickoff Spring Farm Day event. House tours and farm animals tours will be given, demonstrators will be showing their skills and selling their wares, and the popular Country Store will be open with new items and old favorites.

**The Farm Kitchen Series:** May 30. Farm Kitchen workshop series will take place every Saturday from 10-12. Learn about a farm kitchen skill from baking to pickling with interpreter Carolyn Chase.

**New Hampshire Dairy Day:** June 20, 10am-4pm. This popular event celebrates the dairy farm tradition of New Hampshire! Get up close with a cow, learn about goat dairy farming, sample cheese. Kids just love to help us churn butter and make ice cream!

**The Fourth on the Farm:** July 4, 12-4. What better way to enjoy the fourth of July than playing farm games, eating strawberry shortcake, and touring the grounds of the Farm Museum!

**Children's Days on the Farm:** July 11-12. Kids love the New Hampshire Farm Museum! Visit with the farm animals, join in the goat parade, play games, make crafts, grind corn for the chickens, and just have good old-fashioned fun!

**Victorian Tea & Amusements:** July 25, 1-4pm. Join us for this tribute to the Victorian era.

**Stagecoach and Tavern Days:** Aug. 22-23. This first-time event celebrates the Jones Farm history as a stage-coach stop and tavern.

**Flax to Linen Workshop and Demonstrations:** Sept. 19.

**Harvest Days:** Oct. 3-4. It's the end of the season and the harvest is upon us! Hayrides, apple pressing, making cornhusk dolls, and pumpkin games are all part of the harvest fun on the farm.

**Over the River and Through the Woods Thanksgiving Program:** Nov. 21, 10am-3pm.

**Annual NH Wine & Cheese Tasting Fundraiser:** Nov. 22. This popular annual event includes tastings from NH wineries and NH and VT cheeses as well as a silent auction and our much-anticipated gift cheese sales just in time for the holidays. RSVP 652-7840.

**Christmas on the Farm:** Dec. 12, 10am-3pm. Tour the historic Jones Farmhouse dressed in its finest Christmas décor, make a Christmas candle, try some gingerbread and hot cider and enjoy a Victorian Christmas.

**Cornish Historical Center Museum:** 12 School St., Cornish Flat. May 9, June 13, July 11, Aug. 8, Sept. 12, Oct. 10, 9:30am-12pm. The Revolution, Civil War, Cornish Art Colony, images, books and artifacts on display. 675-6003, atholm@valley.net.

**Remick Country Doctor Museum & Farm:** located at 58 Cleveland Hill Rd., Tamworth. Captain Enoch Remick House-located at 26 Great Hill Rd., Tamworth Village. 323-7591, 800-686-6117, info@remickmuseum.org, www.remickmuseum.org.

**Children's Fishing Derby:** May 17, 10am-12pm. Remick pond is stocked for this occasion for children 15 years old and under, with parental supervision. Trophies are awarded for biggest fish, smallest fish and first to catch the limit. Bring your own bait and tackle and a pail to carry your fish home. Two fish limit per child.

**Captain Enoch Remick House Victorian Tea:** June 7, 3pm. Enjoy freshly brewed teas, lavender lemonade, tea sandwiches and delicate cookies. Learn about the history of tea in the boyhood home of Dr. Edwin Crafts Remick, which contains the family's antique furnishings. The fee for Victorian Tea is \$10 per person, and pre-registration is required. Call the museum to reserve your space.

**Environmental Agriculture Field Day:** June 27, 11am-3pm. If you are a farmer or a land owner and want to learn about the best practices for land use, soil conservation, wetland preservation, or livestock care, this is your opportunity to learn from those with first-hand experience. Participate in workshops on grazing and pasture rotation, fence building, soil testing, forestry resources and other related topics.

**Captain Enoch Remick Open House:** Aug. 15, 11am-3pm. Constructed circa 1808, and listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the house contains the antique furnishings of the Remick family. It was the boyhood home, and later on, the medical office of Dr. Edwin Crafts Remick, the museum's founder. See hand-painted murals from the early 19th century attributed to the artist John Avery. Admission is \$3 per person, which includes guided farm tour and admission to the Museum's main building.

**Captain Enoch Remick House Victorian Tea:** Sept. 19, 3pm. Enjoy freshly brewed teas, hot mulled cider, pumpkin and apple walnut scones, and tea sandwiches. Learn about the history of tea and tea etiquette in the Remick family home decorated with antique furnishings. Fee for Victorian Tea is \$10 per person, and pre-registration is required. Call the Museum to reserve your space.

**Harvest Festival:** Sept. 26, 11am-3pm. Craft making, apple cider making, and live folk music. Horse drawn wagon ride, hay bale maze and round bale jump! The concession stand will offer fresh apple fritters and blooming apples. See traditional farm equipment in use, including a tractor operated corn chopper. Try your hand at harvesting corn, flax and mangelwurtzel using historic techniques. Come inside the Visitor's Center and tour the living quarters of Dr. Edwin Crafts Remick, Tamworth's most notable country doctor, and see exhibits on the agricultural way of life in New Hampshire from 1790 to the present. Admission is \$5 per person.

**Blessing of the Animals:** Oct. 3, 10am. Harkness Field on Remick Farm. A multi-denominational team of local clergy will lead a ceremony to bless you and your pet(s). After the ceremony, visitors are welcome to accompany the Clergy while blessing the livestock. Visitors can also take a guided farm tour at 11am, 1pm or 3pm, and view the exhibits at the museum's Visitors Center. Additionally, self-tour the living quarters of Dr. Edwin Crafts Remick, the museum's founder.

**NH Plein Air Paint Out & Wet Paint Sale:** Oct. 3, 10am-4pm. Open to members and non-members, artists will paint outdoors on the museum grounds and in Tamworth Village from 10am-2:30pm. They will assemble at the museum's Visitor Center to sell wet, unframed works of art to the public from 2:30-4pm. The artist will contribute 30% of the sale price of each painting to support the Remick Museum. Artists interested in participating should visit the NH Plein Air web site: [www.nhpleinair.com](http://www.nhpleinair.com) to download the registration form and return it to NH Plein Air with a \$5 registration fee. Registrations will be taken the day of the event, pre-registration is encouraged.

**Historic Thanksgiving:** Nov. 14, 11am-3pm. Enjoy good food, a warm fire, country crafts, and a healthy dose of history. Museum interpreters will prepare traditional foods on the open hearth using historic recipes. The menu includes roasted turkey, bread sauce stuffing-dressing, hearth bread and butter, boiled cider pie, Indian pudding, pumpkin stuffed with apples and cranberry sauce. Take a horse drawn wagon ride. See a demonstration on how

to properly "dress" a turkey from slaughtering the bird, to plucking feathers, to cleaning and storing poultry. This activity will take place outdoors on the farm, only those interested in turkey processing will see the activity. Admission is \$5 per person.

**Victorian Christmas:** Dec. 12, 11am-3pm. See both house and museum beautifully decorated for Christmas. Make Christmas crafts and sample delicious holiday treats. Take a horse drawn wagon or sleigh ride. The Captain Enoch Remick House will serve sugar cookies, warm from the Glenwood oven. See displays of vintage toys owned by the Remick Family. Admission is \$5 per person.

**Old Baptist Meetinghouse/Hearse House Museum & Revolutionary Cemetery:** Old Turnpike Rd., Salisbury. Memorial Day-Columbus Day, May 30-Oct. 10, Sat. 1-4pm, or by appointment. Museum featuring mid 1800s hearse, Daniel Webster memorabilia, early telephone switchboard, early guilt. Old Baptist meetinghouse displaying six generations of wedding gowns, all from the same family, mid-1800s-2005. Post cards, junior grange, unique needlepoint portrait of Daniel Webster. Genealogical assistance available. Revolutionary cemetery on premises. 648-2134, jphilips@tds.net.

**Libby Museum of Natural History:** Wolfeboro. June-Labor Day, 10am-4pm, closed Mondays. The museum has many events during the summer season, including children's programs, art exhibits and guest speakers. 569-1035, libbymus@metrocast.net, [www.wolfeboronh.us/departments/libby%20museum.htm](http://www.wolfeboronh.us/departments/libby%20museum.htm).

**The Poore Family Homestead Historic Farm Museum:** Rt. 145, Stewartstown. The museum is a historic homestead/settlement documenting one family's life from the 1830s to the 1980s. The house, barns and outbuildings are all in original condition and reflect their use and era. Step back in time, to a time that existed prior to rural electrification of the Northern most regions of NH. Pack a picnic basket and stay a spell. 237-5500/5313, johnsen@ncia.net, [www.poorefamily.homestead.com](http://www.poorefamily.homestead.com).

**Farm Museum:** June 1-Sept. 30, 11am-1pm, Monday-Friday; 11am-3pm, Saturday-Sunday. \$5/adult, accompanied children under 12 are free.

**Annual Open Barn & Celebration:** Celebrating founder's 124th birthday and 15th year as an historic and cultural North Country destination. July 5, 12-3pm. View the many newly displayed artifacts, meet the directors and enjoy an old-world demonstration. Free birthday cake and lemonade will be served. \$5/adult, accompanied children under 12 are free.

**Out-Door Concert:** Featuring South African song and dance music by the acappella teen ensemble "Village Harmony". July 19, 1-3pm. \$8/adult, accompanied children under 12 free.

**Out-Door Concert:** Featuring traditional bluegrass music by the "Gopher Broke Bluegrass" band. July 26, 1-3pm. \$8/adult, accompanied children under 12 are free.

**Enfield Shaker Museum:** 447 NH Rt. 4A. 632-4346, [enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com](mailto:enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com), [www.shakermuseum.org](http://www.shakermuseum.org).

**Country Life Festival:** June 6, 10am-4pm. Sample local farm products, watch craft demonstrations and take a horse drawn wagon ride. See animals. Many activities will be held in the Museum's historic buildings. Walter Paine will read "Cousin John," a favorite among all ages. The day will end with a "hoe down."

**Culinary History Weekend:** Oct. 24, all day. Imagine a weekend devoted to the history of food! At press time, this event was in the planning phase. 632-4346, [enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com](mailto:enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com), [www.shakermuseum.org](http://www.shakermuseum.org).

**Goffstown Historical Society:** 18 Parker Station Rd., Goffstown. The 2009 Summer Season features "Paintings, Posters, Programs". Paintings by local artists from the collection of the Goffstown Historical Society along with posters and programs of local organizations advertising events of the 1920s, 1930s, 1940s will be on display. 497-3314, MtWindsong@aol.com, [www.rootsweb.com/~nhghs/](http://www.rootsweb.com/~nhghs/).

**Annual Strawberry Festival:** June 20, 1-4pm.

**Paintings:** July 18, 10am-2pm.

**Posters:** July 19, 1-4pm.

**Programs:** Aug. 15, 10am-2pm.

**Open House:** Aug. 16, 1-4pm., Sept. 19, 1-4pm., Dec. 5, 10am-2pm.

**The Little Nature Museum, Gould Hill Orchards:** 656 Gould Hill Rd., Contoocook. 746-6181, [info@littlenaturemuseum.org](mailto:info@littlenaturemuseum.org), [www.littlenaturemuseum.org](http://www.littlenaturemuseum.org). A family museum with hands-on exhibits, children's nature activities, Ferns and Forest Trail, Everything Has a Home Discovery Area for children grades K-3, several new exhibits and activities annually, special programs listed on our web site. Suggested donation is \$1 per person. June 27-July 26, 1-4pm weekends & holidays; Aug. 1-Nov. 1, 11am-4pm weekends & holidays.

**"Child Survivor: Teaching Your Child to Survive Getting Lost in the Woods",** Aug. 15, 11am-12:30pm, grades 2-4; 1:30-4pm, grades 5-7. Let us teach your children skills that will reduce their chances of getting lost. Pre-registration required. Limited to 10 per class, call to register. Grades 2-4, parent/child must attend together. Admission: \$7 museum members; \$10 nonmembers. Child receives a survival kit. See web site about instructor Rudy Bourget.

**NatureFest 2009:** Sept. 12-13, 11am-5pm. Annual family fun educational outdoor and indoor event held rain or shine. Special exhibits and programs, hay rides, trail walks, hands-on children's activities, museum tours. See web site for directions and more details as information becomes available.

**HikeSmart:** Sept. 12, 10-11:30am. Learn the skills and the "Ten-Essentials" the equipment that should always be carried on any outing, that safely let you enjoy the outdoors.

**Edible Wild Plants:** Sept. 13, 12-1pm. Learn about wild edibles including proper ID techniques, harvesting and preparation.

**"Map & Compass":** Oct. 17, raindate Oct. 18, 9am-12pm, grades 6-8 ; 2-5pm, grade 9-adult. Learn the skills to keep you from getting lost in the woods including map reading, using a compass, and basic GPS. Pre-registration required. Registration limited. Admission \$7 museum members, \$10 nonmembers. A few adults are needed to help, no charge for helpers.

**Fitts Museum:** 185 High St., Rt. 27, Candia. July-August, Sat., 1-4pm, or by appointment. A Federal style home, this town-owned museum has spanned 100 years in existence and houses artifacts of the 18th-21st centuries; furniture, glass and china, musical instruments, artwork, books and documents, tools and military items. Demonstrations and programs of cultural and historical interest. 483-2672, [www.fittsmuseum.org](http://www.fittsmuseum.org).

**Warner Then & Now Exhibit:** Upton Chandler House Museum, July 4, 9am-12pm. The historical society's 2009 exhibit will focus on images of Warner from the past compared to a photo taken of the same place or scenic view today. How have changes in the use of a building reflected changes that have taken place in the community over time? Can you still see the same view a hundred years later? Come and see the changes that have taken place in a small rural community. 456-2437, [info@warnerhistorical.org](mailto:info@warnerhistorical.org), [www.warnerhistorical.org](http://www.warnerhistorical.org).

**Thompson-Ames Historical Society Museum Buildings Open House:** 8, 24 & 88 Belknap Mountain Rd., Gilford. July 11, 25, Aug. 15, 29, 10am-2pm. 1857 Mt. Belknap Grange, 1834 Union Meetinghouse. Circa 1838 Benjamin Rowe House all listed on national historic register. 387-8433, [thomames@worldpath.net](mailto:thomames@worldpath.net), [www.gilfordhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.gilfordhistoricalsociety.org).

**Living History Event:** Hillsborough. Aug. 21-23. Join us for a delightful interactive living history experience depicting the unique history of the New England area. Venture on a fantastic trip throughout Hillsborough and discover the historic villages, museums, President Franklin Pierce's homestead, historic buildings, scenic drives, and stone arch bridges. Experience the life of a New Englander in the 1700s, the 1800s, and the early 1900s, while interacting with period musicians, re-enactors (including the First NH Calvary), historical figures, dancers, crafters, artisans, children's activities and more. Fun for the whole family! Admission \$10/adults 18 and over; \$5/children ages 6-17; and children 5 and under free. Special privileges for those in period costume! Park for free and leave the driving to us! 464-2953, [livinghistoryevent@tds.net](mailto:livinghistoryevent@tds.net), [www.livinghistoryeventnh.com](http://www.livinghistoryeventnh.com).

**Hampton Historical Society Pig Roast:** Tuck Museum, 40 Park Ave. Sept. 5, 12-3pm. Old fashioned pig roast on the grounds of the Tuck Museum. Music, entertainment, silent auction. Admission \$20/adults; youth 9-16/\$10. Includes, museum, c.1790 barn, 1850s schoolhouse, fire exhibits, tourist cabin. 926-2543, [info@hamptonhistoricalsociety.org](mailto:info@hamptonhistoricalsociety.org), [www.hamptonhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.hamptonhistoricalsociety.org).

## **NH Farm to Restaurant Connection:**

The New Hampshire Farm to Restaurant Connection (NHFR) links New Hampshire farms and food businesses with New Hampshire restaurants. NHFR sponsors several special dinner events at New Hampshire restaurants where the majority of the dinner courses are made of New Hampshire produced foods. Grower's Dinners highlight local farm and food producers and their products. Talented chefs create dishes that feature the products of selected farmers. Menus (and recipes) are created to not only promote and commemorate the event, but to use as on-going public relations for both the farms and participating restaurants. Both consumers and businesses are encouraged to purchase and enjoy New Hampshire's own whenever possible. For a complete list of official 2009 dinner events and other NHFR information, visit: [www.nhfarmtorestaurant.com](http://www.nhfarmtorestaurant.com). Buy local foods online at the NH Virtual Farmers' Market: [www.nhfarms.com](http://www.nhfarms.com).

**New Hampshire Growers Dinner:** The Inn at East Hill Farm, 460 Monadnock St., Troy. Nov. 8, 5-7:30pm. Enjoy live music while sampling hors d'oeuvres at 5pm. The sit down dinner will begin at 6pm and showcase a variety of locally grown foods. The price is \$18.95 per person age 16-adult, and \$10.95 per child age 2-15. Please add tax and gratuity to these rates. Reservations required. BYOB. 242-7709, [info@east-hill-farm.com](mailto:info@east-hill-farm.com), [www.east-hill-farm.com](http://www.east-hill-farm.com).

## **NH Farmers' Markets:**

**Barrington Farmers' Market:** Int. Rts. 9 & 25. May-Oct., 9am-1pm, Sat. Produce, flowers, plants, fruit, eggs, heirloom poultry, beef jerky, possibly lobsters. Rain or shine, 749-0377.

**Bedford Farmers' Market:** Wallace Rd, Benedictine Park. June-Oct., 3-6pm, Tues. Certified organic products, flowers, maple products, vegetables, fish, jams, wine, fruits, baked goods, eggs, jellies, specialty foods. Musicians, July 4 celebration, pumpkin decorating, trick or treat at the market. Rain or shine, 435-6410, [Romney@comcast.net](mailto:Romney@comcast.net),

[www.bedfordfarmersmarket.org](http://www.bedfordfarmersmarket.org).

**Berlin-Gorham Farmers' Market:** parking lot of Fred's Service Station, 215 Glen Ave., Rt. 16, Berlin. May 1-Oct. 31, Fri., 12-4pm & Sat., 9am-1pm; Sun., 9am-4pm. Most all agriculture and related products, crafts, baskets, pot racks, flowers, wreathes, trees, wood, handmade art, fabric, non profits/green info tables, health and nutrition advice, organics, candles, aromatherapy, bread, maple syrup, open all legal NH/MA legal holidays. Demonstrations, music, samples, clowns, life size farm fun cutouts. Also open special times for Riverfire, Downtown, French, culture and heritage events. Rain or shine, 752-1592.

**Local Works Farmers' Market:** Main St., Bethlehem, May 23-Oct. 10, Wed., 3-6pm; Sat. 9am-1pm. Twice weekly farmers market and outdoor marketplace featuring local produce, baked goods, fresh bread, prepared foods, crafts, jewelry, wood working, live music and much more. Located at WREN on the corner of Rt. 302 and Park Ave. in the village of Bethlehem. Rain or shine, 869-9736, [localworksnh@gmail.com](mailto:localworksnh@gmail.com), [www.wrencommunity.org](http://www.wrencommunity.org).

**Bradford Community Farmers' Market:** Bradford Community Center, 134 E. Main St. June-Oct., 3-6pm, Thurs. Locally grown and locally made products. Weekly entertainment and demonstrations weekly. Rain or shine, 938-6228, [bacc@mcttelecom.com](mailto:bacc@mcttelecom.com).

**Brookline Farmers' Market:** Brookline ball park, Rt. 130. June-Oct., 3-6pm, Tues. Vegetables, flowers, meats, fruits, seafood, dairy, baked goods. Rain or shine, 672-4229, [www.brooklinefarmersmarket.org](http://www.brooklinefarmersmarket.org).

**Canaan Farmers' Market:** Rts. 4 & 188, on the park, downtown Canaan. May-Oct., 10am-1pm. Vendor grown and produced agricultural products and fine crafts. Rain or shine, 523-4337, [canaanfarmmkt@valley.net](mailto:canaanfarmmkt@valley.net), [www.townofcanaannh.us](http://www.townofcanaannh.us) (see "Events").

**Canterbury Community Farmers' Market:** Canterbury Center, Elkins Library parking lot. June-October, Wednesdays, 4-7pm. Fresh local fruits, vegetables, baked goods, cheese, milk, maple products, potted plants, meats, seafood, jams, jellies, cut flowers, herbs, crafts and more! Online shopping and purchasing will be available in 2008! Weekly musical entertainment. Rain or shine, 783-9649, [farmer@ccfma.net](mailto:farmer@ccfma.net), [www.ccfma.net](http://www.ccfma.net).

**Claremont Farmers' Market:** Broad Street Park. June 4-Oct. 1, 4-7pm, Thurs. Vegetables, fruits, honey, eggs, bread, spices, annuals, perennial plants, floral arrangements, baked goods, jams, jellies, preserves, pottery, glass, jewelry, ready to eat food, beef, etc. Children's Story Time, 4-5pm; weekly music and demonstrations. Assorted other children's programs. Rain or shine, 542-4321, [www.claremontmarket.org](http://www.claremontmarket.org).

**Colebrook Farmers' Market:** 84 Colby St., Colebrook. July-Oct., 8am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, fruits, baked goods, wool, yarn, crafts, maple, apples. Rain or shine, 237-4430.

**Main Street Farmers' Market:** North Main St., at Northern Tire parking lot, Colebrook. Last week of June-Oct., Thursday, 4-6pm; Saturday, 8-11am. Fresh eggs, baked goods, salad mixture, spinach, mesclun mix, Swiss chard, Romaine, lettuce, jams, jellies, squashes, radishes, corn, herbs, strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, blackberries, beans and more. Rain or shine, 237-4395.

**Concord Farmers' Market:** Capitol St. June-Oct., 8:30am-12pm, Sat. Fresh NH Fruits and vegetables, plants, baked goods, jams, maple, wines, meats, honey, crafts, worms for composting. Rain or shine, 224-8862.

**Contoocook Farmers' Market:** Main St., at Contoocook Train Depot. June-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, including organic, maple syrup, eggs, pies, jams, jellies, plants, meat, soaps, cut flowers, granola. Live music (bi-weekly), Railroad Museum on site. 746-2874, [planetloft@comcast.net](mailto:planetloft@comcast.net).

**Davisville Farmers' Market:** 909 E. Rt. 103, Warner. June-Oct., 10am-3pm, Fri., Sat. & Sun. Vegetables, potatoes, grain, crafts, baked goods, cheese, dried fruits & vegetables, flowers, plants. Rain or shine, 995-1345, [happyazmy.com](http://happyazmy.com).

**Deerfield Farmers' Market:** Deerfield Fairgrounds. June-Oct., 3-7pm, Fri. Organic vegetables, plants, baked goods, and much more. Hayrides, music, petting zoo. Rain or shine, 463-8812, [justforfunjj@yahoo.com](mailto:justforfunjj@yahoo.com), [www.farmersmarket.deerfield-nh/us](http://www.farmersmarket.deerfield-nh/us).

**Enfield Farmers' Market:** Enfield Shaker Museum, 447 NH Rt. 4A. July 1-Oct. 7, 4-7pm, Wed. The market offers a wide range of fresh locally-grown produce, meats, flowers, prepared foods, and crafts. Special activities for children. WIC accepted. Visit the museum and hike the trails as part of your visit. Rain or shine, 632-4346, [enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com](mailto:enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com), [www.shakermuseum.org](http://www.shakermuseum.org).

**Farmington Farmers' Market:** Behind TD North, Central & Main Sts. May-Oct., 8:30am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, plants, homemade goods, pies, jams, jellies, handmade quilts, pillows, hats, doll clothes, pot holders. Hay Day last Sat. in Aug., 9am-4pm, Town Square. Rain or shine, 859-2551.

**Fitzwilliam Farmers' Market:** next to Town hall. May-Sept., 9am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, plants, fruits, eggs, bread, wool and wool products, flowers, maple products. Rain or shine, 585-9052, [utuhusa@yahoo.com](mailto:utuhusa@yahoo.com),

www.harvesttomarket.com.

**Franklin Community Farmers' Market:** 206 Central St. July-Sept., 3-6pm, Tues. Vegetables, fruits, meats, baked goods, used books, crafts, ice cream, music and more! Rain or shine, 648-6586, cindytaylormidwife@yahoo.com.

**Gilmanton Farmers' Market:** Academy at the 4 Corners. July-Oct., 3-6pm, Wed. Vegetables, eggs, lamb, cut flowers, wool, maple, fruits, bread, baked goods. Rain or shine, 267-7083, meadowviewfarm@metrocast.net.

**Hancock Farmers' Market:** horsesheds behind church in Hancock. May-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Fresh produce, flowers, plants, handicrafts, preserves, sweets and other local, seasonal, products. Weekly special events. 525-3172, kono-rei@hotmail.com.

**Jackson Farmers' Market:** next to Snowflake Inn Field. July-Oct., 9am-1pm, Sat. Fresh produce, vegetables, berries, fruits, plants, pottery, jewelry, hand loomed items, eggs, baked goods, artisan breads, maple, cut flowers, goat cheese, meat, honey, organic goods. Weekly entertainment. Rain or shine, 520-4974, chendr7108@aol.com.

**Jaffrey Farmers' Market:** Rt. 202, Monadnock Plaza. July-Sept., 9am-12pm, Saturdays, 9am-12pm. Produce, perennials, baked goods, jams, jellies and honey. Rain or shine, 532-6561.

**The Farmers' Market of Keene:** Commercial parking lot off Gilbo Ave. May-Oct., 9am-2pm, Tues. & Sat. Fruits, vegetables, herbs, plants, flowers, maple syrup, honey, baked goods, bread, jams, jellies, eggs, soap, wool products, lamb, pork, juried crafts. Rain or shine, 446-9474.

**Laconia Farmers' Market:** Beacon St. East. June-Oct., 8am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, fruits, baked goods, jams, jellies, flowers, crafts, maple syrup, beef, pork, chicken, organic vegetables. Rain or shine, 267-6522, BPRam-say1@aol.com.

**Lancaster Farmers' Market:** Centennial Park. June-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Jewelry, wool, herbalist, goats' milk soap, quilter, artist, certified organic produce, fresh, local produce, baked goods, pestos, jams, jellies, cut flowers, plants, honey, berries, photography, embroidered pillows, wood work, basketmaker, meats (beef, pork, lamb). Rain or shine, 788-3391, townmanager@lancasternh.org.

**Lebanon Farmers' Market:** Colburn Park. May 28-Sept. 24, 4-7pm, Thurs. Enjoy local produce, prepared foods and crafts at the market. Featuring over 30 vendors, live music and craft demonstrations at every market. Contact the market coordinator for information about the winter market, as well. Rain or shine, 448-5121, 704-996-0705, farmersmarket@lebcity.com, www.lebanonfarmersmarket.org.

**Lee Farmers' Market:** Old Fire Station, Rt. 155. May-Oct., 3-6pm, Thurs. Produce, meat, soaps, woold, flowers, plants, baked goods. Various entertainment and education through season. Rain or shine, 659-9329, leemarket@comcast.net.

**Lisbon Farmers' Market:** North Main St. Late-Spring-Fall, 3-7pm, Thurs. Locally grown vegetables, local crafts. Rain or shine, 838-2200, lisbonmainstreet@roadrunner.com.

**Littleton Farmers' Market:** Cottage St., Senior Center parking lot. July-Oct., 10am-1pm, Sun. Fresh local produce, in season, meat, eggs, poultry, maple, preserves, baked goods, prepared foods, perennials, cut flowers, honey, crafts, wood products. Cooking & craft demonstrations. Rain or shine, 444-0248, cabinviewfarm@roadrunner.com.

**Lyndeborough Farmers' Market:** Center Hall, Center Rd. June-Sept., 9am-12pm, Sat. Fruits, vegetables, bedding plants, meats, eggs, baked goods, jams. Rain or shine, 654-5362, kgrybko@aol.com.

**Meredith Farmers' Market:** Trinity Episcopal Church. July-Aug., 2:30-5:30pm, Thurs. Fresh locally grown meat, fruits, vegetables, crafts, maple products, baked goods eggs. Rain or shine.

**New Boston Farmers' Market:** Town Common at the gazebo, Rt. 13. July-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Produce, fruit, eggs, bread, cakes, cookies, jams, granola and grain bars, hand spun wool, hand knit items, cider, herbal body products, meats (lamb, beef, pork), yarn. Rain or shine, 487-2480, pygarus@aol.com, www.newbostonfarmersmarket.org.

**New Durham Farmers' Market:** off Depot Rd., next to Post Office, on the lawn. Mid-May-early-Oct., 8am-1pm, Sat. Market offers vegetable and flowering plants, fruit and produce, baked goods, honey, maple syrup, wool yarns, fresh flowers, daylilies, perennials, pottery, eggs, soap, herbs, felted wool items, jams, jellies and chutneys, seasonal berries and other seasonal market goods. Rain or shine, 859-4251, davcrord@metrocast.net.

**Newbury Farmers' & Artisans Market:** Rt. 103, near Newbury Library & playground. July-Oct., 3-6pm, Fri. Locally grown and raised produce, meats, eggs, fruits, plants, homemade breads and pastries, jams and jellies, cookies and more; hand crafted baskets, furniture, pottery, jewelry, herbal crafts, soaps. Music every week. Rain or shine, 763-0181, crazyrussell@msn.com.

**Newfound Farmers' Market:** Dedication Park, Lake St. Bristol. May 16-Oct. 31, 10am-1pm, Sat. Local market offer-

ing NH raised meat and eggs, locally grown fruits and vegetables, bakery products and crafts. Rain or shine, 934-8146, gitchfarm02@yahoo.com.

**Newport Farmers' Market:** on the common, Newport. June 12-Oct. 19, 3-6pm, Fri. Area's largest farmers' market. Over 40 vendors of produce, meats, eggs, baked goods, and homespun crafts. Open rain or shine. Children's story time at 4pm each Fri. and musical entertainment during the markets. Rain or shine, 865-9841, newportfarmersmarket@comcast.net.

**The Northwood Area Farmers' Market:** corner of Rts. 4, 202A/9 and Rt. 43, at the Municipal building parking lot. June 4-Sept. 24, 3-6:30pm, Thurs. Vegetables, fruits, eggs, honey, herbal creams, baked goods, cut flowers, vegetable plants, perennials, fish, poultry, vegan prepared food, hot dogs. Shine only, 682-0662, northwoodfarmersmarket@yahoo.com.

**Nottingham Farmers' Market:** Blaisdell Memorial Library, 129 Stage Rd. June-Oct., 1-4pm, Sun. Fresh fruits, vegetables in season, flowers, plants, honey, maple syrup, baked goods. Opening day celebration and Fall Harvest Celebration. Rain or shine, 679-8484, blaisdellm1@comcast.net.

**Pelham Farmers' Market:** St. Patrick Parish, 12 Main St. June 1-Aug. 31, 4-7pm, Mon. Local farm fresh fruits and vegetables, maple sugar products, eggs, baked goods and handmade crafts will be available. Entertainment and fun activities for the kids will vary weekly. A sample of offerings are face painting, balloon shapes and animals, magic tricks, juggling and live music. Rain or shine, 635-3525, 978-500-0023, pelhamfarmersmarket@yahoo.com.

**Piermont Farmers' Market:** corner of Rt. 25 & River Rd. June 2-Oct. 13, 3-6pm. Support local farmers by shopping the Piermont Farmers' Market. We have everything from cheese and beef to plants, artwork, veggies and baked goods. Come see for yourself! Rain or shine, 802-505-0123, emilygtshipman@hotmail.com.

**Pittsfield Farmers' Market:** Main St., Dustin Park. June-Oct., 3-5:30pm, Thurs. Fresh produce, baked goods, agricultural crafts, organic produce, fruits in season, breads, jams, jellies, soaps, cut flowers, annuals, perennials, herbs, specialty products, eggs. Rain or shine, 435-5570, chapmans4.1@myfairpoint.net.

**Plymouth Area Farmers' Market:** 263 Highland St. June 18-Sept. 24, 3-6pm, Thurs. Fresh vegetables, meats, plants, herbs, cut flowers, eggs, soaps, yarn, baked goods, farm crafts. Primavera Market-May 21, 3-6pm. Rain or shine, 536-3823, cperk40119@aol.com.

**Rochester 4 Corners Farmers' Market:** 4 Corners Antique Shop parking lot, Jct. 202A, Estes Rd. & Meaderboro Rd. May 8-Sept., Fri., 3-6pm; Sat. 9am-12pm. Plants, flower and vegetables, herbs, eggs, baked goods, relishes, pickles, jams, berries, strawberries, blueberries, raspberries, in season, heirloom tomatoes, fresh picked fruit in season, organic vegetables, dog cookies, fresh flowers and herbs. Rain or shine, 859-6979, squires@metrocast.net.

**Downtown Rochester Farmers' Market:** Foster's Daily Democrat parking lot, 90 N. Main St. June-Sept., 3-6pm, Tues. & Thurs. Vegetables, fruits, berries, plants, annuals, perennials, baked goods, eggs, herbs, jams, jellies, canned products, cut flowers, crafts. Rain or shine, unless severe weather. Rain or shine, 332-1765.

**Sanbornton Farmers' Market:** Sanbornton Historical Society's Lane Tavern, 520 Sanborn Rd., Rt. 132. June-Oct., 3-6pm, Fri. Agricultural crafts, baked goods, dairy, free range poultry, meat products, eggs, fiber goods, crafts, flowers, fresh fruits, berries, herbs, honey, jams, jellies, potted plants, processed foods, seeds, syrup, vegetables, wood crafts and products. Local entertainment, cooking demonstrations. Rain or shine, 286-8700, budgie@metrocast.net.

**Sandwich Farmers' Market:** Samuel H. Wentworth Library-'Pines'. June-Nov., 9am-12pm, Sat. Organic produce, maple syrup, vegetables, dog biscuits, fruits, and more! Rain or shine, 284-7163.

**Seacoast Growers Association:** Contact 659-5322, info@seacoastgrowers.org, www.seacoastgrowers.org.

**Dover:** 181 Silver St. June 3-Oct. 14, 2:15-6pm, Wed. Baked goods, vegetables, plants, cut flowers. Rain or shine, 692-4511.

**Durham:** Pettee Brook parking lot, Pettee Brook Rd. June 1-Oct. 12, 2:15-5:30pm, Mon. Fruits, vegetables, cut flowers, plants, baked goods, guest craft vendors. Rain or shine, 658-0280

**Exeter:** Swasey Parkway, off of Water St. June 4-Oct. 15, 2:15-6pm, Thurs. Baked goods, maple syrup, plants, vegetables, fruits, crafts, prepared foods, wine, cut flowers and more. Rain or shine, 658-0280/5322.

**Hampton:** Rt. 1, Sacred Heart Church parking lot, near the Hampton Cinemas. June 2-Oct. 13, 3-6pm, Tues. Fruits, vegetables, cut flowers, plants, baked goods, eggs, soaps, body products, prepared food. Rain or shine, 674-3990.

**Kingston:** on the "Plains", across from the Kingston Fire Station, near intersection of Church & Main Sts. June 2-Oct. 13, 2:15-5:30pm, Tues. Baked goods, meat, eggs, fresh vegetables, fruits, plants, flowers. Rain or shine, 658-0280/5322.

**Portsmouth:** 1 Junkins Ave. May 2-Nov. 7, 8am-1pm, Sat. Certified organic produce, vegetables, fruits, cut flowers, meat, baked goods, prepared foods, plants, crafts, wine, cheese, teas, maple syrup, honey, soap, personal



care products. Rain or shine, 658-0280/5322.

**Tamworth Farmers' Market:** Unitarian Church, Rt. 113, Main St. June-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Vegetables, maple syrup, honey, eggs, dairy products, meats, bread, goats' milk cheese, wool, coffee, cut flowers, baked goods (cookies, pies, etc.). Rain or shine, 323-2392, farmersmarket@sunnyfield.us.

**Wakefield Farmers' Market:** corner of Rt. 16 & Wakefield Rd, opposite Palmer's Market. May 23-Oct. 10, 9am-3pm, Sat. Local vegetables, fruits in season, baked goods, plants, wood, cut flowers, honey, eggs, fiber art, goat cheese, meats, and more! Demonstrations 10-11am. Rain or shine, 473-8762, www.wakefieldmarketplace.homestead.com.

**Warner Area Farmers' Market:** Town Hall lawn. Mid-June-mid-Oct., 9am-12pm, Sat. Music, crafts, vegetables, concluding with Warner Fall Foliage Festival Columbus Day weekend. Rain or shine, 456-2319.

**Washington Farmers' Market:** Town Common. May 23-Oct. 10, 10am-12pm, Sat. Plants, flowers, baked goods, jams, jellies, eggs, vegetables, fruits, crafts, arts. Rain or shine, 345-8783, teaberrywolf@yahoo.com.

**Weare Farmers' Market:** Weare Center around gazebo. June-Sept., 3-6pm, Fri. Seasonal produce and fruits, certified organic producer, fresh lamb, pork and chicken, baked goods, certified organic breads, honey, maple syrup, jams, jellies, canned goods, fresh plants, cut flowers, goats' milk soap and lotions. Rain or shine, 413-6213, wearefarmers-market@comcast.net.

**White Oaks Market at Prescott Farm Environmental Education Center:** Prescott Farm, Weir's Beach/Laconia. June 25-Oct. 1, 4-7pm, Thurs. Produce, some organic, jams, jellies, honey, flowers, meats, ice cream, body products, herbs, wool. Primavera Plant Sale, May 28; End of Season Harvest Barn Dance, Oct. 3. Rain or shine, 366-5695, DRosato@PrescottFarm.org.

**Wilmot Farmers' Market:** Town Green. July-Sept., 9am-12pm, Sat. Produce, plants, cut flowers, meats, cheeses, honey, syrup, prepared foods, herbs, baked foods, hot lunch and breakfast, soaps, wool, pottery, jewelry and more. Live entertainment weekly on the bandstand. Rain or shine, 526-7729, information@wilmotfarmersmarket.com, www.wilmotfarmersmarket.com.

**Winter Farmers' Market:** Dover, Exeter, Newington, Rye, Stratham. Nov.-April, 9am-2pm, Sat. Fresh vegetables, storage vegetables, meats, baked goods, cheese, packaged foods, honey, maple syrup, eggs, milk, dairy. Holiday markets for Thanksgiving and Christmas, cooking demonstrations, food donations for pantries and soup kitchens. Rain or shine, 498-6934, info@seacoasteatlocal.org, www.seacoasteatlocal.org.

**Woodsville Farmers' Market:** Rt. 302, Woodsville Center. June-Sept., 3-6pm, Thurs. Produce, baked goods, starter plants. Rain or shine, 747-2786, daryl@celticweb.com.

## **Seasonal Festivals:**

**Spring Family Farm Day:** The Inn at East Hill Farm, 460 Monadnock St., Troy. April 27, 9am-4pm. A day of fun activities including cow milking, making butter, egg collecting, pony rides, hay jumping in the hay loft, sheep shearing, arts and crafts, and swimming in the indoor pool. Rowboats and paddleboats, swings and sandbox, tennis, shuffleboard and volleyball will be available for use all day! Lunch included. 1-800-242-6495, info@east-hill-farm.com, www.east-hill-farm.com.

**Beans & Greens Farmstand:** 245 Intervale Rd., Gilford. 293-2853, beansandgreensfarm@msn.com, www.beansandgreens.com. Visit our web site for event details.

**Strawberry Festival:** late June.

**Fall Harvest Festival:** Oct. 10-12.

**Spring into Summer Celebration!:** Depot Square Park, Peterborough. June 17, 3-6pm. Join us as we celebrate this joyful season! Stroll through our scenic park as you browse the wares of vendors selling unique, locally grown/made products just for you! There will be music, face painting and demonstrations. Visit various vendors for free samples and educational information to help you enjoy this season to its fullest! 878-6124, Mich.S@comcast.net, www.freewebs.com/peterboroughfarmersmarket.

**Berry Beginnings:** Apple Hill Farm, 580 Mountain Rd., Concord. June 27, 8:30am-5:30pm. Start of berry picking season, free berry recipes, samples. 224-8862, info@applehillfarmnh.com, www.applehillfarmnh.com.

**Apple Pickins':** Apple Hill Farm, 580 Mountain Rd., Concord. Sept. 5-7, 8:30am-5:30pm. Celebrate the start of apple harvest, free apple recipes, samples and enjoy the fruit of fall harvest. 224-8862, info@applehillfarmnh.com, www.applehillfarmnh.com.

**Heritage Arts Festival:** Gilford Community Church/Gilford Public Library. Sept. 26, 10am-2pm. The festival includes demonstrators showcasing arts of yesteryear, including, quilting, rughooking, needlework, candle making, blacksmithing, beeswax and honey products, stenciling. An appraiser will be on hand for items 100+ years old, performances through-

out day including square dancing and storytelling, harvest luncheon served by Gilford Community Church. Local produce and products for sale. 387-8433, thomames@worldpath.net, www.gilfordhistoricalsociety.org.

**7th Annual Somersworth Pumpkin Festival:** Somersworth Plaza, Main St. Sat., Oct. 10, 11am-5pm. A family oriented day filled with all things pumpkin. This includes pumpkin carving and painting, catapult, hay rides, bowling, scarecrow making, games, food court, stage entertainment, parade, and photo area. Admission, \$10/child for all, adults free! 692-5828, dauchor@somersworth.com.

**McToberfest:** McKenzie's Farm, 71 NE Pond Rd., Milton. Sat., Oct. 10, 9am-6pm. A fall festival offering pick your own apples and pumpkins, trailer rides, live band, face and pumpkin painting, straw maze, pulled pork and fried dough, country store. Come enjoy the fun! 652-9400, fruit@metrocast.net, www.mckenziefarm.com.

**26th Annual Harvest Festival:** Meadow Ledge Farm, 612 Rt. 129, Loudon. Oct. 10-12, 9am-6pm. Apple picking, weekend tractor rides, live entertainment, apple bobbing, contests, kids games, our famous homemade cider donuts, gift shop, pies, picnic tables. Free admission. Rain or shine. 798-5860, NHapples@aol.com, www.MeadowLedgeFarm.com.

**Harvest Festival:** Enfield Shaker Museum, 447 NH Rt. 4A, Enfield. Oct. 10, 11am-4pm. Take a horse drawn wagon ride and hunt for pennies in a haystack! Make your own cider, churn butter and make ice cream. Dip handmade candles. The basic admission is \$7.50/adults, children ages 6-18 \$3 and free for members and children under age 6 free. 632-4346, enfieldshakermuseum@yahoo.com, www.shakermuseum.org.

**Fall Festival:** Moulton Farm, 18 Quarry Rd., Meredith. Oct. 18, 11am-4pm. The Fall Festival is for the entire family, featuring a live band, tractor and horse drawn wagon rides, magic show, petting farm, displays, children activities, including pedal tractor pull, pumpkin carving and painting, cookie decorating, hay and corn maze and plenty of food! 279-3915, moultonfarm@metrocast.net.

**Courser Farm Pumpkin Carving & Lighting:** Courser Farm, 374 Schoodac Rd., Warner. Oct. 25, 12pm (carvings); Oct. 29-31, 5pm, (lighting). For over 10 years the Courser Family has held an open pumpkin carving the Sunday before Halloween. The pumpkins are displayed and lit for three nights. Event is free. Between 900-1,000 pumpkins are carved. 456-3356/3997, vcourser@hotmail.com.

**Fall Family Farm Day:** The Inn at East Hill Farm, 460 Monadnock St., Troy. Nov. 11, 9am-4pm. A day of fun activities including cow milking, making butter, egg collecting, hay jumping in the hay loft, grooming the ponies, patting the bunnies, making s'mores by the fire, arts and crafts. Bring your towels and swimsuits in the indoor pool. Lunch included. 1-800-242-6495, info@east-hill-farm.com, www.east-hill-farm.com.

**Dickens Victorian Christmas Tea:** Thyme & Ewe Farm, 688 Chestnut St., Claremont. Dec. 5, 12, 19, 10am, 12pm, 2pm. Enjoy a traditional high English tea with a Dickens theme for \$5 per person. Reservations are required. 542-1746, poissonsheep1@aol.com, www.thymeandewefarm.com.

**Winter Family Farm Day:** The Inn at East Hill Farm, 460 Monadnock St., Troy. Feb. 22, 2010, 9am-4pm. Break up the long winter with a trip to the farm! Activities including cow and goat milking, patting bunnies, making butter, hay jumping, egg collecting, sheep shearing, supervised sledding, arts and crafts. Bring your towels and swimsuits in the indoor pool. Lunch included. 1-800-242-6495, info@east-hill-farm.com, www.east-hill-farm.com.

## **Song, Dance & Theater:**

**Great Waters Music Festival:** Wolfeboro. July-Aug., 7pm. A diverse summer program of music concepts celebrating folk, jazz, classics and contemporary, held on the shores of Lake Winnepesaukee, America's oldest summer resort area. 569-7710, info@greatwaters.org, www.greatwaters.org.

**Summer Promenade Concerts:** Wentworth Town Common, Wentworth. Summer evening concerts on the Town Green. Live music by the Baker Valley Band. Bring your family and friends. Have a picnic, bring a chair, bring your dancing shoes for an evening of old-time fun. Refreshments served. Donations only. 764-4383/9993.

**July 1:** Salute to America.

**July 22:** Baker Valley Band Favorites.

**Aug. 11:** Music with a Latin Sound.

**Wentworth Olde Tyme Square Dance:** Old Town Hall, Wentworth. first Friday of the month, Sept.-June, 8-10:30pm. Square dance, live caller and band, refreshments, waltzes and polkas too. All levels welcome. For all ages. Admission: \$7 person, \$15 family. Return to a New England event of the past and have some fun! 764-9993, pkoelb@earthlink.net.

## **Unusual & Special Events:**

**Winnepesaukee River Trail:** Franklin, Tilton & Northfield. Ongoing. The Winnepesaukee River Trail is a 3.1 mile trail along the Winnepesaukee River connecting Franklin and Northfield. This packed stone dust trail is open to all non-

motorized users. Perfect for biking, walking and running in the summer and during the winter snowshoeing and cross country skiing. 934-5236, [winnitailnh@aol.com](mailto:winnitailnh@aol.com).

**Farm Tours & Traditional Craft Workshops:** Owen Farm, 580 Brockway Rd, Hopkinton. Ongoing, call for more information. A small organic family farm specializing in hand-milked dairy, gardens, chickens, horses, sheep, and pigs. Educational workshops offered on a variety of topics from wool crafts and soap making to dousing and stonewall construction. Lots of trails, open year round throughout the 170 acre farm. Tours available. 225-2252, [owens13@juno.com](mailto:owens13@juno.com), [www.owenfarm.org](http://www.owenfarm.org).

**Sustainable Agriculture Seminar Series:** Cole Hole, Room 219, Thompson School on the UNH campus. Pre seminar reception begins at 3:30pm. Lectures will be held on Mondays from 4pm. <http://www.colsa.unh.edu/agriculture/>.

**Mar. 30:** Biological Buffering: Building Resilience into Agricultural Systems. Larry Phelan, Ohio State University, Wooster.

**Apr. 6:** A Holon Approach to Agroecology: Interdisciplinary Thinking for an Interdisciplinary World. Michael Bell, University of Wisconsin, Madison.

**Apr. 13:** Sustainable Agriculture in a Post-Industrial World. Fred Kirschenmann, Distinguished Fellow of the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture, Iowa State University.

**Apr. 20:** Enabling Sustainable Agriculture Research to Succeed: Perspectives of an Agroecologist. Dave Mortensen, Pennsylvania State University.

**Stonewall Farm:** 242 Chesterfield Rd., Keene. 357-7278, [www.stonewallfarm.org](http://www.stonewallfarm.org). Stonewall Farm is a nonprofit working farm and educational center whose mission is to connect people to the land and to the role of local agriculture in their lives.

**Sixth Annual Art Opening & Auction Preview:** April 3, 5-7pm. Our gallery will be in full display with local art from prestigious artists. Meet the artists and enjoy refreshments. Free and open to the public.

**Sixth Annual Art Auction:** May 9, 6-10pm. Join us for a surprise-filled evening! Light dinner and open bar. \$35/person, pre-registration is required, contact Kathy Harrington, 357-7278 ext. 107. Forty percent of sales from the auction will benefit our educational programs.

**Bike for Bovines:** Aug. 16. This 10+ mile mountain bike race is a fundraiser to support the farm's many programs and initiatives which promote responsible, sustainable farming practices and environmental stewardship. Bikers from beginner to pro are welcome to register and the whole family will have fun participating in various farm- and bike-related activities.

**Fall Fun on the Farm:** Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31, 11am-2pm. Experience the farm at its most beautiful! Horse drawn hayrides to the pumpkin patch, pumpkins for purchase, fall treats and Stonewall Farm products will all be available, in addition to barnyard tours and other activities.

**Thanksgiving Farm Fare:** Nov. 20-21, Fri. 5-8pm; Sat. 9am-3pm. Everything you will need for your Thanksgiving feast. Farm-fresh products from over 30 vendors including organic meats, vegetables, breads, jams, coffee, cheeses, herbs, honey and more! Decorate your table and get a jump-start on holiday shopping with work from local artisans like centerpieces, pottery, soap, quilted items, wreaths and more.

**Discover Wild New Hampshire Day:** NH Fish & Game Dept. HQ, 11 Hazen Dr., Concord. Apr. 18, 10am-3pm. Archery, kids crafts, 35 exhibits by environmental conservation and outdoor organizations. Hybrid vehicles and energy-saving ideas. Big fish, live animals and the Ways of the Woods traveling museum. Free family event. 271-3211, [judy.silverberg@wildlife.nh.gov](mailto:judy.silverberg@wildlife.nh.gov), [www.wildnh.com](http://www.wildnh.com).

**Herbal Luncheons:** Thyme & Ewe Farm, 688 Chestnut St., Claremont. 542-1746, [poissonsheep1@aol.com](mailto:poissonsheep1@aol.com), [www.thymeandewefarm.com](http://www.thymeandewefarm.com).

**May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 12pm & 2pm:** Menu for the month, tossed green salad with honey French dressing, herbed white bread, honeyed carrots, chicken in a blanket, chocolate mousse pie, \$10 per person. Reservations required.

**June 6, 13, 20, 27, 12pm & 2pm:** Menu for the month, tossed green salad with honey mustard dressing, parsley biscuits, crabmeat quiche, cherry topped lemon cheesecake pie, \$10 per person. Reservations required.

**July 4, 11, 18, 25, 12pm & 2pm:** Menu for the month, tossed salad with oriental ginger dressing, crescent rolls, vegetable pie with fine herbs, chicken tarragon, blueberry pie, \$10 per person. Reservations required.

**Aug. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 12pm & 2pm:** Menu for the month, tossed salad with ranch dressing, applesauce nut bread, cucumbers in sour cream, zucchini frittata, spiced apple cakes, \$10 per person. Reservations required.

**Sept. 5, 12, 19, 26, 12pm & 2pm:** Menu for the month, tossed green salad with raspberry vinaigrette dressing, herb bread, sweet potato casserole, tomato and leek quiche, shaker fruit cobbler, \$10 per person. Reservations required.

**Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28, 12pm & 2pm:** Menu for the month, hot green bean and bacon salad, dill bread, spinach pie, beef bourguignon, streusel topped pumpkin pie, \$10 per person. Reservations required.

**Hillsborough Balloon Festival & Fair:** Grimes Field. July 9-12. Hot air balloon festival featuring hot air balloon rides, live music, fireworks, road race, parade, carnival midway rides, mud bogs. Free admission, parking donation. 464-0377, hillsboroballoonfest@tds.net, [www.balloonfestival.org](http://www.balloonfestival.org).

**Winnepesaukee River Trail:** Franklin, Tilton & Northfield. Ongoing. The Winnepesaukee River Trail is a 3.1 mile trail along the Winnepesaukee River connecting Franklin and Northfield. This packed stone dust trail is open to all non-motorized users. Perfect for biking, walking and running in the summer and during the winter snowshoeing and cross country skiing. 934-5236, winnitrailnh@aol.com.

**American Independence Festival:** Downtown Exeter. July 18, 10am-5pm. Help celebrate America's freedom with our popular annual festival. Traditional artisans, costumed role players, militia groups, food, music and crafts. Fireworks and music at dusk. 772-2622, jtiebout@independencemuseum.org, info@independencemuseum.org, <http://www.independencemuseum.org>.

**Celebrate Wellness Fair:** Misty Meadows Herbal Center, 183 Wednesday Hill Rd., Lee. Aug. 2, 10am-4pm. In the true spirit of healing, all modalities will be represented including traditional Western medicine, herbalism, homeopathy, flower essences, chiropractic, Reiki, acupuncture, therapeutic touch, sound healing, crystal healing, intuitive healing and more! Free parking, \$2 admission, no pets. 659-7211, mistyoffice@comcast.net, [www.mistymeadows.org](http://www.mistymeadows.org).

**School Tours:** Currier Orchards, 9 Peaslee Rd., Merrimack. Sept. & Oct., 9am-3pm, Mon.-Fri. School tours via tractor and wagon ride of apple orchard during September and October. Pick an apple and learn about farming apples. See how apple cider is made and how apples are graded. Enjoy a glass of cider! Tour takes about an hour and cost is \$1/ person. 881-8864, currierstore@cs.com.

**Choose & Cut Your Own Christmas Tree:** Tonry Farm, 314 Exeter Rd., Rt. 88, Hampton. Mid-Sept.-Thanksgiving, 9am-4pm, weekends. Choose your Christmas tree for cutting. 772-6213, abbytonry@hotmail.com, [www.tonryfarm.com](http://www.tonryfarm.com).

**Lamson Farm Day:** Lamson Rd., Mont Vernon. Sept. 26, 10am-3pm. Fun family day on the farm, hayrides, block powder shoot, antique tractors and other farm equipment, pony rides and much more! Chicken bbq, 12-2pm. 673-0493.

**Harvest Thyme Herbs Gift Barn:** 91 Dooe Rd., Dublin. Oct.-Dec., 10am-5pm, daily. Our post-and-beam gift barn is brimming with locally-made soaps, candles, pottery, fine art, handbags, and more! Harvest Thyme's full line of products and gift baskets galore. Holiday accents and ornaments are bountiful and hot mulled cider is served for a relaxing shopping experience. 563-7032, hthyme@yahoo.com, [www.harvestthyme.com](http://www.harvestthyme.com).

**Storytelling Dinner:** Corner House Inn, 22 Main St., Ctr. Sandwich. Late Oct.-May, except Thanksgiving, 6:30pm, Thurs. evenings. A complete dinner including salad, entrée, dessert, coffee and glass of wine, along with great storytelling entertainment by professional storytellers. For information and reservations. 284-6219, info@cornerhouseinn.com, [www.cornerhouseinn.com](http://www.cornerhouseinn.com).

**Farm Day:** Old Ciderpress Farm, 119 Thompson Rd., Westmoreland. Oct. 6, 10am-6pm. Exhibit of old farm tools, their use and how they work. Also, watch cider being pressed by hand with one of the oldest beam presses built in 1870. It stands 11 feet tall and in its original condition. Taste cider right off the press. 399-7210, oldciderpress-farm@yahoo.com.

**Bike for Books:** North Conway. Oct. 10, 8am-3pm. Fall foliage mountain bike tour of the Mount Washington Valley to benefit the North Conway Library. Various route options for different abilities. Water and snack stops, pizza lunch and ice cream, giveaways, free books and bike bottles for all. 356-2961, ncpl@verizon.net, [www.northconwaylibrary.com](http://www.northconwaylibrary.com).

**Christmas Tree Tagging:** Indian Hill Christmas Tree Farm, 161 Main Ave., Rt. 107A, S. Hampton. Oct. 17-18, 24-25, 12-4pm. Come tag your annual Christmas tree and browse our gift shop to start your holiday season. Enjoy hot dogs, hamburgers and refreshments at our picnic tables and take a hayride through our fields. We now sell our own grown pumpkins, gourds and squash. Bring your family and spend the day! 394-7520, trees@indianhillfarm.com, [www.indianhillfarm.com](http://www.indianhillfarm.com).

**NH Open Doors:** Apple Hill Farm, 580 Mountain Rd., Concord. Nov. 11-15, 8:30am-5:30pm. Celebrate New Hampshire and buy local. Find NH made specialty and products. Free samples and recipes. 224-8862, info@applehillfarmnh.com, [www.applehillfarmnh.com](http://www.applehillfarmnh.com).

**"Choose & Cut" Christmas Trees:** 95 Rollercoaster Rd., Laconia. Sat. & Sun. beginning Thanksgiving weekend, 8am-5pm. Choose and cut Christmas trees as well as "tagging" your tree for early selection and later pick up. Tagging begins Oct. 1. 366-4115, drhook1@verizon.net.

**Christmas at the Farm:** Moulton Farm, 18 Quarry Rd., Meredith. Dec. 13, 11am-3pm. An event for the entire family,

featuring activities for the children; storytelling, caroling, wagon rides, demonstrations and displays and plenty of food! 279-3915, [moultonfarm@metrocast.net](mailto:moultonfarm@metrocast.net), [www.moultonfarm.com](http://www.moultonfarm.com).

## **Winery Tastings & Tours:**

Many New Hampshire wineries offer tours, tastings and other special events. Find a complete list of wineries and cheese makers offering special activities in our 2009 NH Wine & Cheese Trails. Make a day trip, creating your own itinerary, or follow one of several "trails" around New Hampshire for a unique way to see the state. Visit [www.agriculture.nh.gov](http://www.agriculture.nh.gov) or call 271-3788.

**Tour and Taste at New Hampshire's Oldest Farm Winery and Vineyard:** Jewell Towne, 65 Jewell St., South Hampton. Weds.-Fri., 11am-4pm, Sat.-Sun., 12-5pm, year round. See a functioning New Hampshire winery and vineyard in action! Learn the winemaking process of New Hampshire grown grapes from vine to bottle on our complimentary guided tours. Family friendly and for newbie and wine aficionado alike, we provide a brief history of the vineyard and the basics of grape growing and winemaking in New Hampshire. 394-0600, [info@jewelltownevineyards.com](mailto:info@jewelltownevineyards.com), [www.jewelltownevineyards.com](http://www.jewelltownevineyards.com).

**Tastings & Tours:** Candia Vineyards, 702 High St., Candia. Year round. Open for tastings and tours by appointment. Featuring unique varieties on NH's First Diamond, LaCrosse, Frontenac, and Noiret grapes and wine. All our wines are made from 100 percent US grapes. 867-9751, [bob@candiavineyards.com](mailto:bob@candiavineyards.com), [www.candiavineyards.com](http://www.candiavineyards.com).

**Zorvino Vineyards:** 226 Main St., Sandown. Open daily, 12-5pm. A picturesque winery is located on 80 beautiful acres in the middle of a New England hardwood forest. We produce quality wines from local New England grapes carefully tended on our property, as well as interesting varietals from grapes grown in premier winemaking regions of the world, including Tuscany, Chile and Northern California. We also produce award winning fruit wines. Not just a winery, but a destination, with a beautiful rustic central manor house where we can accommodate events of all types and sizes. Come join us for a monthly themed wine and food pairing or a themed Wine Dinner. Come for a complimentary wine tasting at the winery or spend a day enjoying our post and beam facility in the New England countryside. 887-8463,

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